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No Fire Or Explosion On Catalina Proved RUMOURS REBUFFED

Examination of the wrecked Catalina flying-boat by Hong Kong and Macao Government officials has conclusively proved that no fire or explosion had occurred on the plane, said an official statement yesterday by Mr. Sydney H. de Kantzow, Managing Director of Cathay Pacific Airways.

The statement, the second since the crash on July 16 in which 26 lives were lost, disclosed that certain technical evidence obtained as a result of an examination of the wreckage gave the Macao police the clue to the piracy theory.

Referring to certain rumours, circulating in the Colony, "presumably by interested parties," Mr. de Kantzow told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that "to remove any misconceptions, I and my co-directors would welcome any public enquiry in Hong Kong."

Of the 10 bodies recovered, eight have been identified.

The statement released yesterday said:

The Cathay Pacific Airways are relieved to be in a position to make a statement explaining the reasons for the tragic disaster on July 16, when their Catalina flying boat crashed into the sea near Macao.

Technical Evidence

The Cathay Pacific Airways retained from making a statement earlier as the facts were so fantastic that they appeared incredible. Cathay Pacific felt that, until it had evidence to support the conclusions drawn from the circumstances of the crash were obtained, a statement of their suspicions would not be taken seriously.

The following explanation is based on certain exclusive technical evidence obtained from an examination of the wreckage by Hong Kong and Macao Government officials. Other details supporting this technical evidence were supplied by the sole survivor.

The ship was carrying 23 passengers, the number for which it was licensed and was 3,000 pounds under its authorised load. From an examination of the wreckage by Hong Kong and Macao Government officials, it was conclusively proved that there was no fire or explosion. The engine were functioning normally.

Evidence to support this by officials of the Hong Kong Government will be supplied in three or four days.

When the Catalina failed to return to its base at the appointed time on July 16 steps were immediately taken to trace it. A launch left Macao to conduct a search but was forced to return owing to bad weather.

Made A Search

Early next morning a Cathay Pacific Catalina with representatives of the Hong Kong Government on board made a search of the area. An Air Force Sunderland also took part in the search. Immediately after this search on Saturday afternoon, officials of Cathay Pacific Airways became suspicious of the "circumstances surrounding the plane's disappearance. They appointed private investigators in Macao to enquire into the bona fides of all the passengers on the aircraft. By Sunday morning these investigators had obtained sufficient evidence to justify the Company requesting the assistance of the Macao Police. This was immediately forthcoming in a most efficient manner.

The result of their findings was supported by technical evidence obtained from the wreckage. The details surrounding the circumstances of the crash have now been fully dealt with in the Press. Suffice it to say that the plane was held up by four pirates who had boarded the aircraft as it was being refuelled. One of the pirates was a trained pilot and it was his in-

ention of the pirates that this man should take over control of the ship and land it where the passengers could be robbed or held for ransom. The pirate pilot carried the bullets for use in the hold-up, concealed in nailow shoes.

Passenger's Resistance

When the actual hold up occurred a European passenger offered resistance. In the struggle that followed shots were fired at the pilots, Crumie and McDuff, Mr. J. Frost, Traffic Manager of Cathay Pacific Airways must have also become involved in the struggle. As a member of the crew he would be seated in the forward compartment.

Whether by accident or intentionally Crumie was struck and killed by a bullet. He fell forward on to the stick and the Catalina immediately went into a dive.

35 CHILDREN RETURNING FOR HOLIDAYS

The special flight, arranged by Waller & Co. as agents for Brathens S.A.F.E. Airtransport, to bring school children out from England to Hong Kong for the summer holidays, left Bovingdon Airport, London, on Friday with 35 passengers.

The plane will call at Rome, Cairo, Bombay, Karachi, Calcutta, and Bangkok en route to Hong Kong, and will arrive here at 5 p.m. local time August 4.

Official Enquiry On Crash Ends

From Our Own Correspondent

Macao, July 31. An official enquiry to establish the cause of the Catalina flying-boat crash on July 16 off Macao, in which 26 passengers and crew were killed was completed this morning.

Japanese Forbidden To Strike

Tokyo, July 31.

The Japanese Cabinet today issued an order prohibiting government employees from striking.

Labour leaders had previously warned that they would call 5,000,000 private and public workers off their jobs throughout the nation if such action is taken.

The order was issued as a temporary measure to carry out the suggestions contained in General MacArthur's letter of July 22 to Premier Hiroshi Ashida.

The new "no strike" order is effective immediately and will remain in force until permanent legislation is passed by the Diet to amend the present National Public Service Law.

As it now stands any person violating today's Cabinet order restricting public workers will in effect be violating an order from the Supreme Commander.

Earlier in the day labour had endeavoured to forestall issuance of the order by submitting a petition to the Allied Headquarters demanding government was misinterpreting General MacArthur's letter.

Later, at a press conference, labour leaders issued a warning that labour would not go along with a Cabinet edict and would obey a "no strike" order only if enacted into law by the Diet.

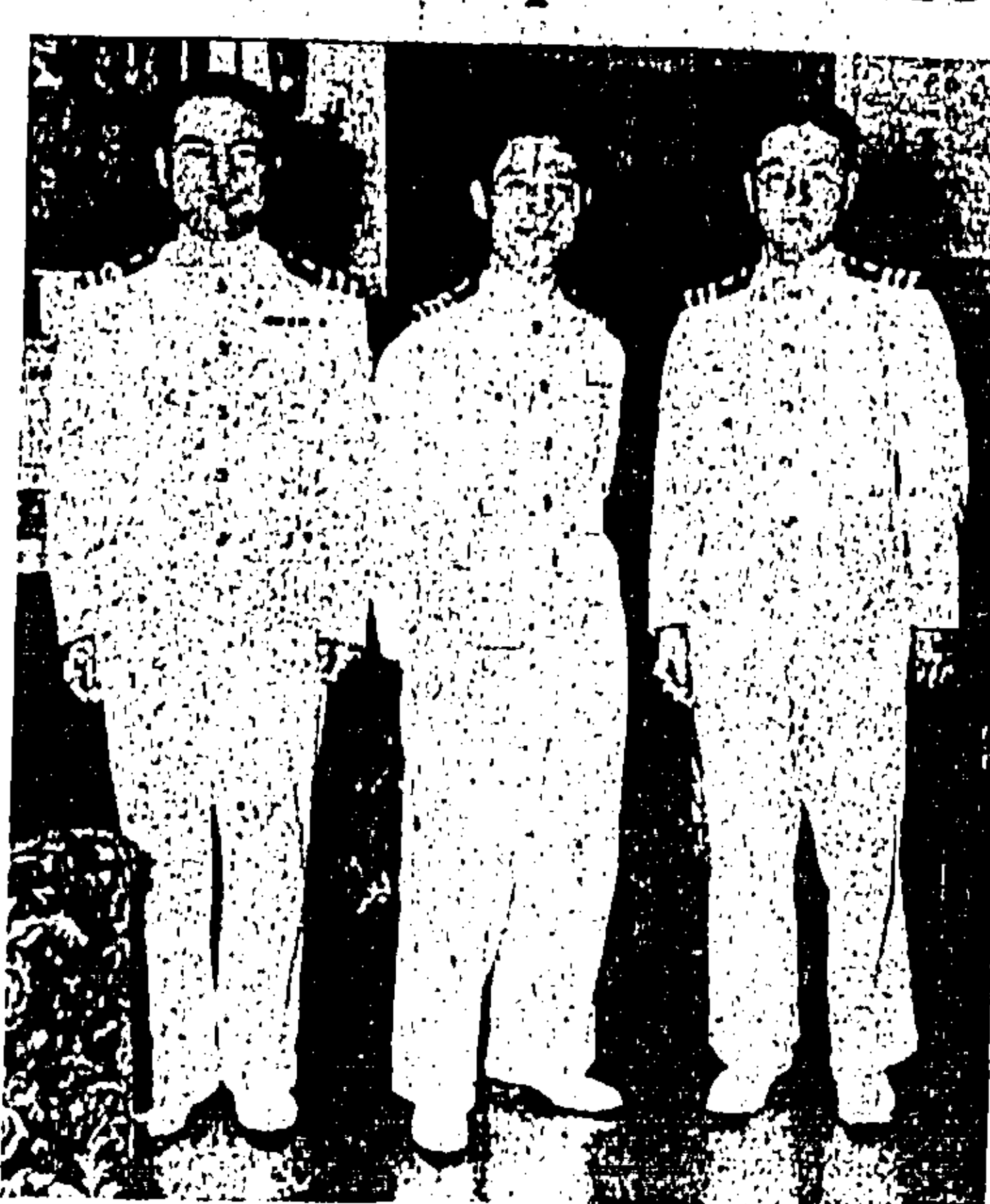
United Press.

B-29 WORLD FLIGHT CONTINUES

Columbo, July 31. Two American Superfortresses on a flight around the world arrived today from Aden. They plan to make the next hop to the Philippines tonight.—Associated Press.

Official Enquiry On Crash Ends

Gift Warships' Officers



CAPTAINS Liu Yung-lin (left) and Cheng Tien-chen (right), commanders of the Chinese warships Chungking and Ling Fu, pictured at a reception in their honour yesterday. (story on back page). Chungking was formerly H.M.S. Aurora and Ling Fu was H.M.S. Mendip. They were given to China by Britain.—Sunday Herald Photo.

New HK-Macao Sea Service Begins

With firecrackers bursting behind her, the 3,009-ton motor vessel Wusueh slowly motored out from her wharf to inaugurate her Hong Kong-Macao service at midday yesterday.

On board the biggest vessel on this run were Hong Kong tourists, including 40 European passengers. Passengers are given the facilities to sleep and take meals aboard while she remains at the Portuguese colony until this evening. There were about 450 passengers who left for Macao yesterday.

Among them were Mr. M. N. Speyer, Mr. H. N. Bardell, Mr. J. W. G. Kay, Captain W. Lumsdon and Mrs. Lumsdon, Captain Van Zeggeren and Mrs. Zeggeren, Mrs. Kam Cheong-yun and party, Mr. P. M. Jee, Mr. K. H. Thompson and Mrs. Thompson, Dr. B. Thompson, Mr. J. K. Ross, Dr. E. J. Lloyd-Davis and Mrs. Lloyd-Davis, Mr. F. G. Tivendall, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. E. Moll, Mr. C. L. Way, and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Smith.

The Wusueh, built in 1931 by the Talook Dockyard, accommodates 36 saloon passengers in her 18 double-berth cabins. On her saloon deck she takes 68 persons. The cabin class can accommodate 80, 40 of them unberthed, while 33 persons can be taken on her lower deck.

She will leave Hong Kong again tomorrow morning and on Wednesday will start her alternate-day service to Macao.

The Wusueh was formerly on the Hong Kong-Canton run and has carried hundreds of first and cabin class passengers while the Fatshan was being overhauled.

KRUPP GUILTY

Nuremberg, July 31. Alfred Krupp, last head of the fabulous 133-year-old Krupp munitions combine, and 10 of his 12 co-defendants, were found guilty today of deportation, exploitation and abuse of slave labour.

Only one of the 12 defendants, Karl Pöschel, a former head of Krupp's War Materials Sales Division, was acquitted on both this count and the earlier one of looting in Nazi-occupied countries. Heuter.

RESIDENTS REJOICE, MANAGERS FUME OVER LOWER HOTEL RATES

While the man in the street was rejoicing yesterday over the new hotel rates fixed by the Quatering Authority, Mr. P. F. J. Eardley, hotel managers were fuming with rage.

"Words really fail me," commented Mr. F. C. Barry, Managing Director of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited. He added that the new rates, arrived at by the Quatering Authority were "completely stupid."

The new rates, effective from today, show a reduction of between 60 and 200 per cent of the rates prevailing yesterday at 91 hotels in the Colony.

"Your paper cannot print the words I have in mind to use in commenting on the official rates," snapped another manager of one of the Colony's hotels.

"We will be forced to close down if the Quatering Authority insists on the rates he has fixed," said a representative of the Metropole Hotel. Apparently stunned by the drastic cut, Mr. N. Wain, manager of the Gloucester Hotel, merely said: "We have no comment to make."

"Too Low"

Other hotels, including the Kowloon Hotel, Melbourne Apartments, Melbourne Hotel, Harbour View Hotel, Asia Hotel, Luk Kwok Hotel, Luk Hoi Tung Hotel, Nathan Hotel, Waldorf, and several other Chinese hotels, and boarding-houses, were unanimous that the rates fixed by the Quatering Authority were "too low."

Some hotels complained that they had never been consulted before the rates were fixed. They said they were "shocked" to read the new rates in the newspapers yesterday.

Comment from the man in the street said: "It's about time hotel racketeering is stopped. More power to the Quatering Authority! The hotels did not consult us on our ability to pay when we hired their rooms. They demanded so much and we had to pay. The people are now over."

Comment from all hotels interviewed by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday was caustic. Mr. Eardley yesterday invited public comment and suggestions on the subject.

The officially fixed rates for the 91 hotels not published yesterday appear on Page Three.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 hours GMT (3 p.m. H.K. Summer Time) a depression centred near Okinawa was moving north. Moderate winds were blowing from the centre. Pressure is low over China and E and NE of the Philippines. Ridges persist over Japan and the South China Sea. Today's Forecast—Light variable winds. Continuing clouds with occasional rain, chiefly during the night and early morning.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 82.3 deg. F. Minimum: 72.7 deg. F. Rainfall: 0.2 mm. Total since Jan. 1—146.3 mm. (20.4 in.) as against an average of 194.8 mm. (23.1 in.)

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Local Filipino musicians turned up in full force at the Kowloon Wharf yesterday morning to welcome members of the Philippine Municipal Symphony Orchestra who arrived by the General Gordon.

The visitors are on their way to Hawaii to give a series of concerts, including a number of charity performances for poor children in the Philippines. The trip was made possible partly by funds from the Philippine Government and the Hawaiian Filipino community.

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Stag Hotel Case

COURT DECIDES FOR CLAIMANTS

The two-year-old litigation over the partnership of the Stag Hotel, Queen's Road Central, ended yesterday when the Court pronounced its decision in favour of claimants.

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr. T. J. Gould, before whom the issue was brought for adjudication, ruled that the original partnership, under the style of Mun Kee, had not been dissolved, and that all the property of the hotel belonged to it.

At the same time he ruled that Lo Kar-yam, who, with his wife, Chun Mo-ching, claimed that the original partnership had been dissolved and had been replaced by a new partnership under the style of Hop Kee, was in fact admitted as a new partner in the original partnership during the occupation, and his title as a partner was accordingly upheld.

Heroin Divans Raided

Lee Hau, 62 years, and Ho Seng, 23 years, were sentenced to two years' hard labour each and recommended for banishment by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday when they pleaded guilty to keeping heroin divans and possession of heroin pills and pipes.

The divans, situated at 37 Wai-sung Street (first floor) and 124 Temple Street (first floor), respectively, were raided within 10 minutes of each other on the night of July 21 by Detective Sub-Inspector J. R. Sykes, said Inspector J. Orem.

In Lee's place were found four heroin pipes, two lamps, 200 heroin pills, and five smokers. Three of the smokers forfeited their bail of \$50 each, and the other two fined \$35 each when their case was called last Saturday.

Ho, added Inspector Orem, was expelled from the Colony on December last.

Five heroin pipes, an opium pipe, 103 heroin pills, a mass of prepared opium, and three smokers, were found on Ho's divan at 124 Temple Street, and three of the smokers were fined \$35 each last week.

Wong Chan was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. J. Wicks on the charges of keeping an opium divan at 361 Castle Peak Road, first floor, and possession of five pipes of prepared opium, on July 30.

Sub-Inspector Fung Lai, who raided the premises, seized 41 pipes of prepared opium, an opium pipe and six lamps, and arrested four smokers, said Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth. A sum of \$10.50 was also seized.

Three of the smokers were fined \$30 each, while the fourth had his bail of \$35 forfeited. The \$10.50 was donated to the Poor Box.

On the application of Inspector J. Hill, the charge against Chung Kin-yung, aged 30, native of Hawaii, with failing to pay \$4, being 10 per cent tax on dance tickets, was withdrawn on the approval of Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

The case came up before the same magistrate a week ago, when it was alleged by the prosecution that defendant took a dance hostess out for a picture show and dinner. On the defendant refusing to pay the sum of \$44 for occupying the girl's time, the matter was reported to the police and defendant subsequently charged with evading payment of

partnership had been dissolved and had been replaced by a new partnership under the style of Hop Kee, was in fact admitted as a new partner in the original partnership during the occupation, and his title as a partner was accordingly upheld.

The claim of Lo Kar-yam's wife to be also a partner in the business was dismissed.

Yesterday's judicial decision was the result of an action brought by seven original partners of Stag Hotel, Mun Kee, Li Tze-ching, Li Kuei-shan, Ho Chup-suen, Wong Chun Shih, Tong King-fong, Kham Chik-ting, and Ngo Chik-kam, for a declaration by the Court as to whether the original partnership had been dissolved and replaced by a new partnership named Hop Kee formed during the Japanese occupation.

Defendants in the action were Lo Kar-yam and his wife Chun Mo-ching, who claimed that the original partnership had been dissolved and replaced by Hop Kee, and the new partnership named Hop Kee formed during the Japanese occupation.

In the judgment it was stated that Lo Kar-yam did bring in additional capital into the business during the occupation and had been duly admitted as a new partner.

The hearing of the case occupied six sittings of the Court and at the last hearing on July 21, when the verdict was pronounced, judgment was reserved.

Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K. C. instructed by Mr. Marcus da Silva, Mr. G. S. Ford and Mr. S. Ng Quinn.

Mr. A. J. Clifford and Mr. P. A. L. Lam, were for the defendants.

The Court ordered each side to pay its own costs, and the receivership is to continue until further order from the Court.

Inspector T. Cashman of the C.I.D. prosecuted while Mr. J. F. d'Almada Remedios represented first defendant, Mr. Charles Losby, the second and Mr. Marcus da Silva the third.

Mr. Losby said there was no evidence against his client of obtaining money by false pretences as a result of a cheque. The third defendant, in order to save his own skin had fabricated the whole story in the witness box.

He said that his client could not be guilty of conspiracy for the simple reason that after the diamond was purchased and paid for by cheque, first accused then claimed that he might not have sufficient funds in the bank to cover that cheque and suggested mortgaging the diamond.

Mr. Silva for the third accused said he would submit that second accused Lo Wing-wai was a liar and a perjurer.

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Protected Places

Fifteen areas in the Colony were listed in the Government Gazette yesterday, as Protected Places.

They include the Royal Air Force section of the Kai Tak Airport, military barracks on the island and Mainland, Stonecutters Island, and the Naval Dockyard.

Shanghai Singers For ZBW

Two popular Chinese singers from Shanghai will make their debut in Hong Kong at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, August 4.

They will be heard over Station ZBW. They are Miss Schumann S. W. Chio, Lyric Soprano, and Mr. Richard Lin, Lyric Tenor.

After the debut, they will give two vocal recitals at the Chinese Y. M. C. A., Bridge Street, at 8.30 p.m. on August 6 and 7.

On this occasion, they will be accompanied by Mr. Richard J. Y. Lin, Mrs. Anna Lin Sheo and Mrs. John Lin.

DEPORTATION ORDER BREACH

Banished for life on March 15 last, J. S. Howarth was yesterday sentenced to a year's hard labour and recommended for banishment when he admitted before Mr. J. Wicks to breach of deportation order.

Defendant, said Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth, was arrested on the morning of July 20 by Police constable 1331 at Shaughnessy Street near Bute Street.

He had two previous convictions for larceny from the person and one for larceny by finding.

Three Gaoled For Fraud Conspiracy

Convicted on charges of conspiracy to defraud Sennet Flores of a diamond ring on January 19, Tong Wai-on, aged 36, Lo Wing-wai, aged 30, and Pang Man-wei, aged 52, were each sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

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WHY BRITAIN AND THE WORLD MUST BE TOLD ABOUT HONG KONG

The reason why it is important that the world should know more about Hong Kong, its people and its problems and why Hong Kong should know more about the people in Britain, was explained over ZBW by Mr. K. W. Blackburn, Director of Information Services, Colonial Office, last night.

Mr. Blackburn said that the answer was admirably summed up in the Chinese proverb, "A lie travels round the world while truth is putting on its boots." Hong Kong, he added, can play a big part by serving as a link between the people of Britain and the people of China.

In his broadcast last night Mr. Blackburn said: "Tonight I'd like to tell you why we in the Colonial Office think it important to develop a better flow of information about the Colonies to the world, and how we are setting about it. But let me say two things at once. We—and by we I mean the Information Department in the Colonial Office—do not regard ourselves as the inspired purveyors of all news about the Colonies."

"What we want to do is to see that people in Britain and in the world as a whole know more about you and that you know more about Britain. And the best way of doing that is not by issuing officially produced news, and books and films, but by stimulating people to do it themselves—the Press, News Agencies, authors, and commercial firms. We are taking a big step in where no other agency is covering the ground."

Should Know More
"Get me first tell you why we think it is important that the world should know more about your people and your problems and that you should know more about us in Britain."

"I can do this very briefly because I have to be brief. I have summed up the other day in Chinese proverb which goes, 'I think, like this, 'A lie travels round the world while truth is putting on its boots.'"

"In these days of a powerful Press, of radio which can reach the end of the world in a flash, and of films which are seen by millions of people in dozens of different languages, there is no doubt that information can travel round the world in a way which our fathers couldn't dream of. In the past the people who have used these means of communication have all too often been those operating with evil intent."

"I had some experience of German lies and propaganda when I was serving in Palestine—and there is nothing that anyone can tell you about the way in which the Japanese during the war, in Britain and you in Hong Kong, and indeed all ordinary people all over the world, want one thing above all others—to be allowed to live in peace and to get on with the job of re-building the damage of the war."

"How can we hope to live in peace when lies and propaganda are flashing round the world to distort the truth? Surely we must do our best not only to forestall the lies told by those who want to make trouble but also to get to know each other better."

"Those of us who are concerned with information work believe that a great deal can be done simply by telling people about one another—by developing information services of all kinds. Yet in Hong Kong especially can play a really big part in this—as one of the main gateways to China, you can serve as a link between the people of Britain and the people of China."

Greater Importance
"It is not even greater importance that the people of the British Commonwealth should know more about each other in the world of today, no country, however powerful, however rich, can afford to be isolated. In the Commonwealth, ready to hand, the most astonishing combination of races and peoples which the world has ever seen. Surely it is in all our interests, and in the interest of the world, that there be a better understanding between the people of the British Commonwealth and the people of the world."

Gaps To Be Filled
"But there are certain gaps to be filled, and one of the reasons for my visit is to try and find out what those gaps are and how they can be filled. The sort of thing which we can do, and we have recently done it in the case of Malaya—is to arrange for small parties of newspapermen from the Colonies to visit Britain and to see for themselves how we live and some of our problems. I personally think that this is one of the best ways in which people in the Colonies can get a better picture of the British way of life. For this background can then be put into their own newspapers and to present it impartially to their readers."

"What then, we can and do send out to the Colonies, books, pictures, pictures, and films about Britain. I am sorry to hear that none of you have seen our weekly newscast, British News, which is prepared for us by the Central Office of Information. It is a very good thing that you should see it."

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to see it in future. We send out a certain number of feature articles and photographs ranging from pictures on the 'New Look'—to an article on atomic energy. These things can be made available free of charge to your Press for publication here."

"And the reverse way is just as important. I have heard that your delegates to the British Industries Fair were appalled at the ignorance about Hong Kong which they found in England. We in London have just started a big campaign to interest people at home in life in the Colonies. We encourage the British Press to print more news about the Colonies; we are building up a large lecture service for schools and organisations like Rotary Clubs; and we are having films made about the Colonies."

"We are paying special attention to British schools so that our children may be brought up to take a much greater interest in your people. But to help us to do this we must have your backing. We want written and photographic material from Hong Kong, and if they are, I hope that as a result of my visit I shall be able to improve our methods of getting material for this purpose from your part of the world."

"I fear that I have talked for a long time on my favourite subject. But I do so sincerely because I believe in the job that the Information Department in the Colonial Office is trying to do. I only hope that as a result of my visit that I shall be able to learn new ways of helping this work along. To come back again to the Chinese proverb which we really are trying to put our heads on quicker. Let us hope—that the boots will get on and be able to catch up and outstrip the lies."

"We want people from Hong Kong to give talks about their life out here when they are in Britain."

Death Presumed
Leave to presume the death of Fung Kai-tack, who was said to have died on January 10, 1945, was granted by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. T. J. Gould, yesterday.

The application was made by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, acting for the widow, Fung Ho Yuen-hung, of 141 Caine Road.

In an affidavit in support of the application, Kwok Yuen, who claimed, he was the last to see Fung Kai-tack, said he was a passenger on the Nam Kwok Maru from Macao to Canton on the morning of January 10, 1945, when it was attacked by Allied planes.

More than 95 per cent of the passengers were said to have been killed, including Fung who was last seen exhausted and shivering.

Larceny Of Newspapers
Charged with larceny of 10 copies of the South China Morning Post, Chan Kwan, aged 30, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Complainant in the case was 13-year-old Mak Kan, who, the prosecution officer alleges left 10 copies of the paper on the basement of Exchange Building while he went upstairs to deliver other papers early yesterday.

Inspector Moran, prosecuted.

LOITERERS BOUND OVER
Chun Yui (35 years old), and Ng Chun, aged 20 years, were bound over in the sum of \$50 for a year when they pleaded guilty before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday to causing an obstruction by loitering.

Inspector J. Orem said that both women were arrested by Inspector H. Collins on Friday night at the junction of Middle Road and Nathan Road.

Reminders
Today
Classical Concert, 100 H. Club, Talbot House, 60, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Dedication of new organ, English Methodist Church, 11 a.m.

Tomorrow
Management Committee of Union Church, meeting, Jardine's Bazaar Room, 30 a.m.
Urban Council, meeting, GPO Bldg, 4.15 p.m.
J. K. Rotary Club, luncheon, Foot Garden, 11.30 a.m.

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COMPLEMENTARY LIST OF HOTEL RATE CUTS

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A meeting was held on the 1st of April last, and at this meeting it was decided to form this society. The meeting consisted almost entirely of reservoir licenses, as the promoters had no other list than of these. The meeting had the advantage of circulated copies of a memorandum drawn up in Stanley Camp. The benefit of this memorandum and some other views expressed at that meeting has been digested and considered by a committee of six appointed at that meeting, and that committee has drawn up and agreed on the constitution of this society, the full details of which are too lengthy to set out in full here. It is hoped that it will be enough to say that the management of the Society is elastic, and is in the common form of societies of this nature set out in the English Act, which is the same for our purpose as the Local Ordinance.

For convenience the committee appointed by the meeting of April 1st last, will not retire at the first general meeting, but the number of committee members is unlimited in number, and you will be able to elect as many members to serve with it as you like. These will serve until the first annual meeting which will be held next year. Unless otherwise decided upon the annual meeting will be held on the first Monday in April in every year. At this meeting all the committee will retire and will be eligible for re-election, either singly or, if it should be proposed, en bloc.

The committee have all the powers generally vested in the board of directors of a company. They elect their chairman and secretary for the year or otherwise as they like. It is not proposed to have any other officers, such as Presidents and so forth, unless it is otherwise decided. This is intended to be a practical and active society and not a social one, and is interested only in sport and nature.

Your committee will therefore consist of the following:— J. T. Prior, c/o Wilkinson and Grist, 2 Queen's Rd. C., solicitor (Chairman); H. Geary Gardner, c/o Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd., Union Building Pedder St., Hongkong, Manager.

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AND such others if any as may be elected at the first General meeting.

Mrs. Staple is also the Secretary.

All the above officers are honorary.

The preliminary expenses of the society will be confined to printing and advertising charges and fees paid to the Registrar of Companies, which will be paid out of your subscriptions.

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Copies of this advertisement may be obtained from the Secretary or from the Chairman, and a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and of the first Rules may be seen by appointment with either of these officers.

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V. WALKER
Acting General Manager
24th July, 1948.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The offices of the above department will be situated at Queen's Building, 2nd floor, Lower Albert Road, as from 2nd August, 1948.

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Musicians To Form Own Union

A provisional committee has been set up to form a Hong Kong Musicians' Union, the "Sunday Herald" learned authoritatively yesterday.

Major H. Leuterio, President of the Philippine Musicians' Union, at present in the Colony, will assist in the formation of a local union.

The provisional committee has already discussed the subject with the Labour Office and it is understood that the union when formed will be registered under the new Trade Union and Trade Dispute Ordinance.

A general meeting of all musicians in Hong Kong, irrespective of nationality, is due to be held this week to discuss the formation of a union, draw up the regulations and elect a committee.

The provisional committee includes Sof Fallor, E. Salonga, Ed Guzman, Mario Vazquez, Tony Arevalo, Tito Gatchalian, T. Lucido, Donita Reyes.

It is intended that the new committee will comprise two band leaders and five other musicians, with a chairman and a vice-chairman.

There are about 150 musicians of different nationalities in Hong Kong. The Filipino musicians were previously organized into an association, registered under the Companies Ordinance.

Midwives' Examination

Eighteen nurses passed the Midwives Board Examination last month. Miss Lam Pui-ying of the Tsun Yik Hospital passed with honours. The successful candidates follow:

Government Hospitals:—Winfred Chun, Enid Fong, Elizabeth Leung, Hoien Ng, Anita Ng, Tsun Yik Hospital:—Lum Hon-yeo and Lam Pui-ying. Tung Wah Hospital:—Chow Yung, Ho Kiu-mei, Ho Wai-yeo, Li Lai-sim, Wong Yim and Yik Fook-chue. Nethersole Hospital:—Wong Chung-shun and Yau Yuk-ching. Tung Wah Eastern Hospital:—Jenny Ching Kam-woon, Irene Li Sou-yung and Julia Watt Yuet-mui.

DRIVER CHARGED

Lee Hong, driver of lorry No. 8408 which caused the death of Lo Kam-cheung on June 28 at Island Road, was brought before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday charged with driving without due care and caution.

On the application of Inspector J. Hill the case was remanded for hearing until August 4.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Monday, August 2, 1948, the General Post Office and Kowloon C.P.O. will open from 8 a.m. to noon. The other Branch Post Offices from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

There will be one delivery of ordinary and registered correspondence at 10 a.m. and one collection only from pillar boxes.

The Money Order office will be entirely closed.

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m., the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office, half an hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

HUNDAY, AUGUST 1

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Closing Times By Sea and Train
Macao and Tientsin, 8 a.m.
Macao and Tientsin, 10 a.m.
Canton (2nd class mail only), 10 a.m.
Kowloon (via Canton), 10 a.m.
Tientsin, 10 a.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.
Amoy, 10 a.m.
Hankow, 10 a.m.
Bombay, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, East and South Africa, Aden and Egypt, 10 a.m.
Furthest via Kowloon, 10 a.m.

GENERAL HOLIDAY

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

Closing Times By Air
Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 9.30 a.m., Noon, Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, 11 a.m.
Japan (Ord. Letters and Cards only), Noon.
Tientsin, Noon.
Macao and Tientsin, Noon.
Kowloon (via Canton), Noon.
Canton (2nd class mail only), Noon.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

Closing Times By Air
Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.

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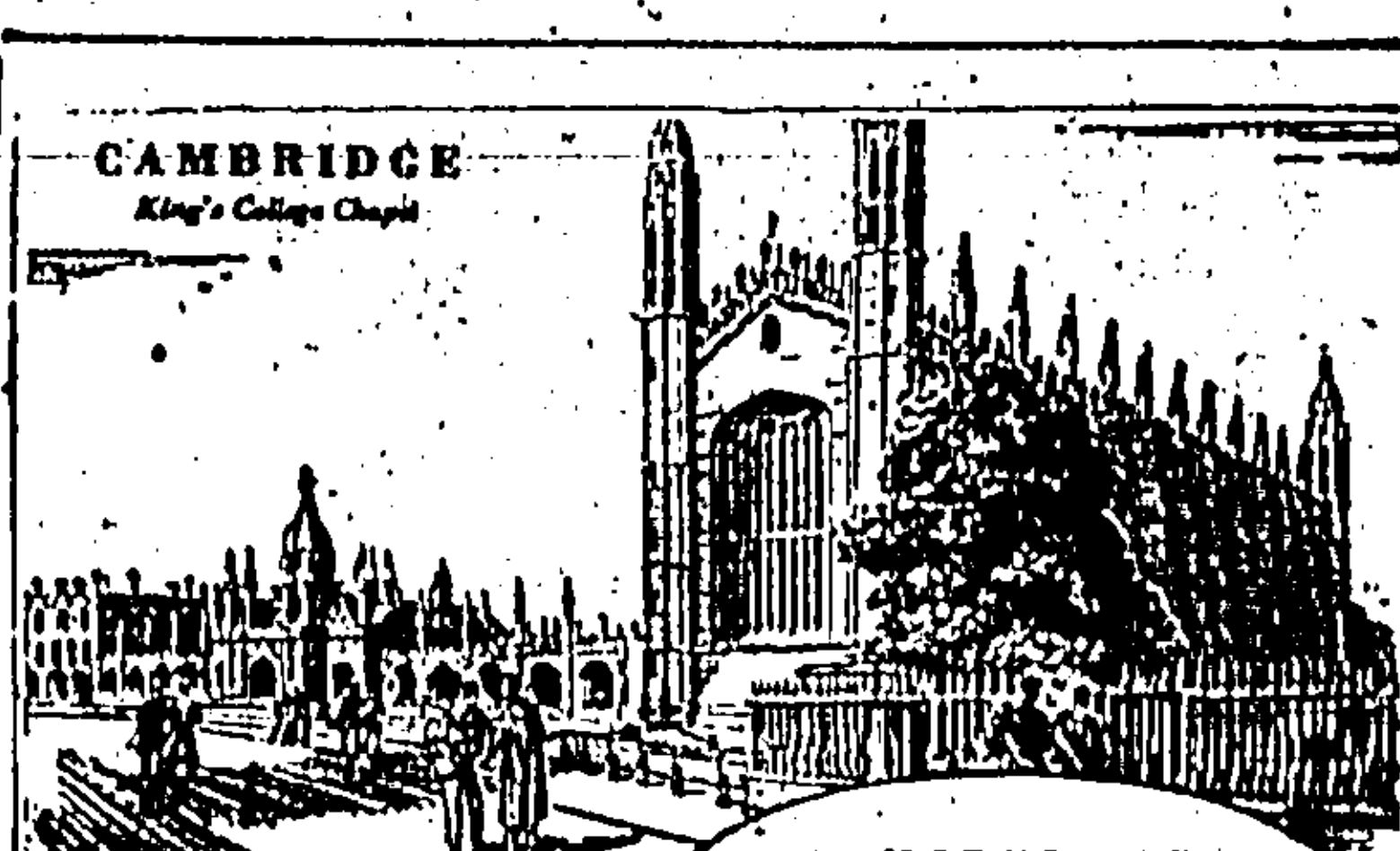
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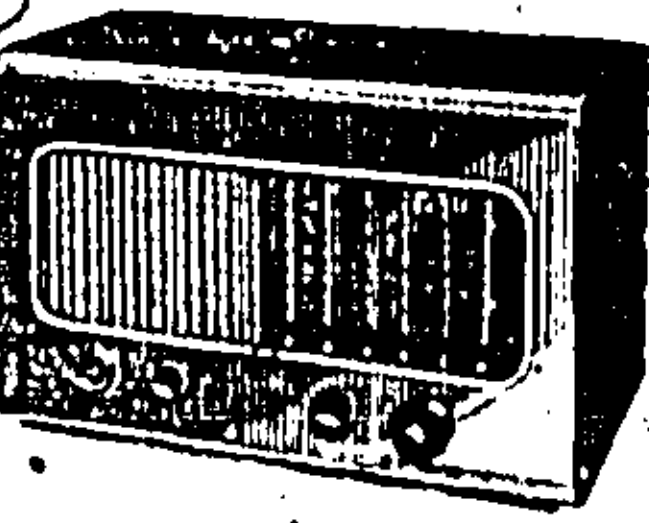
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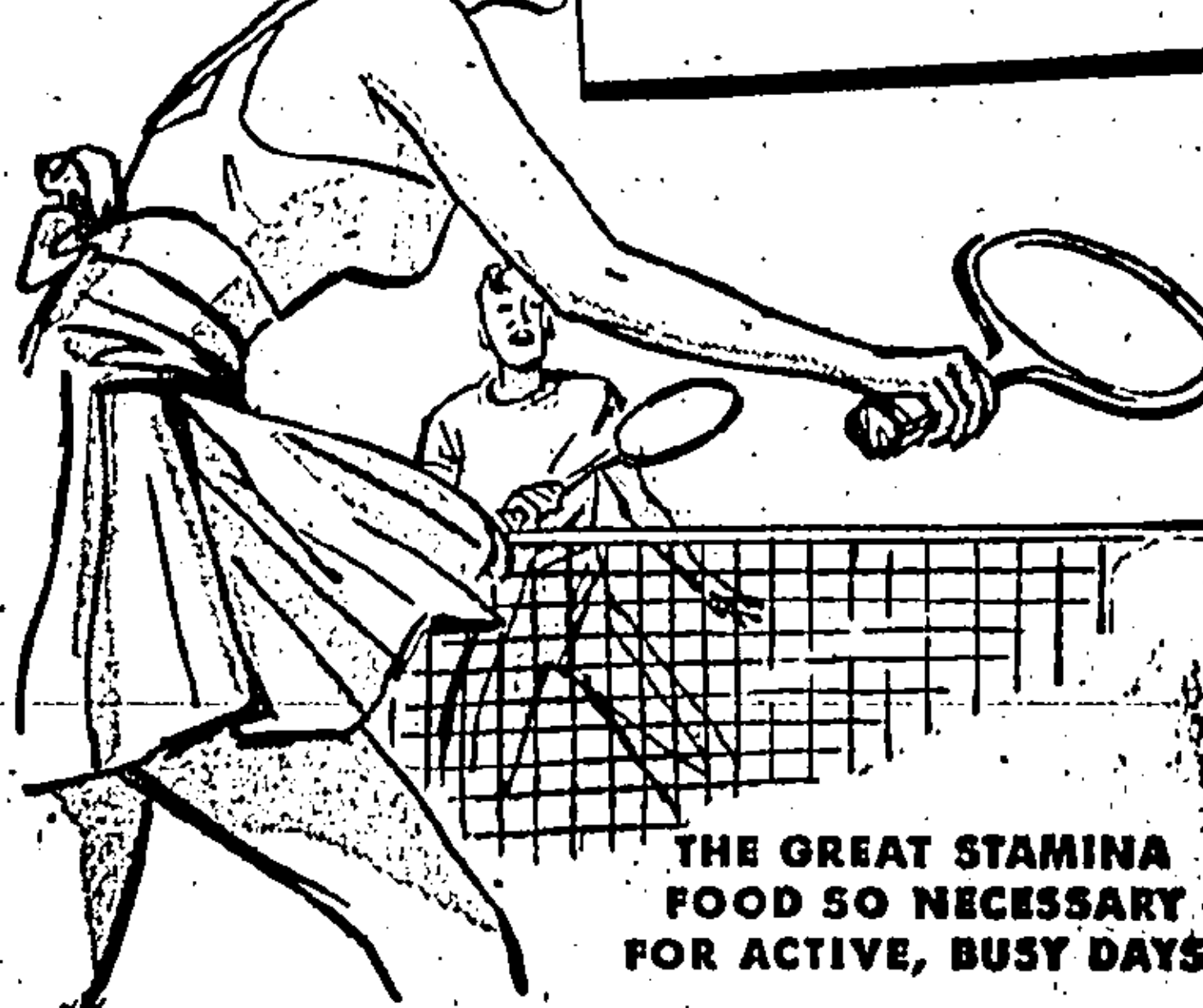
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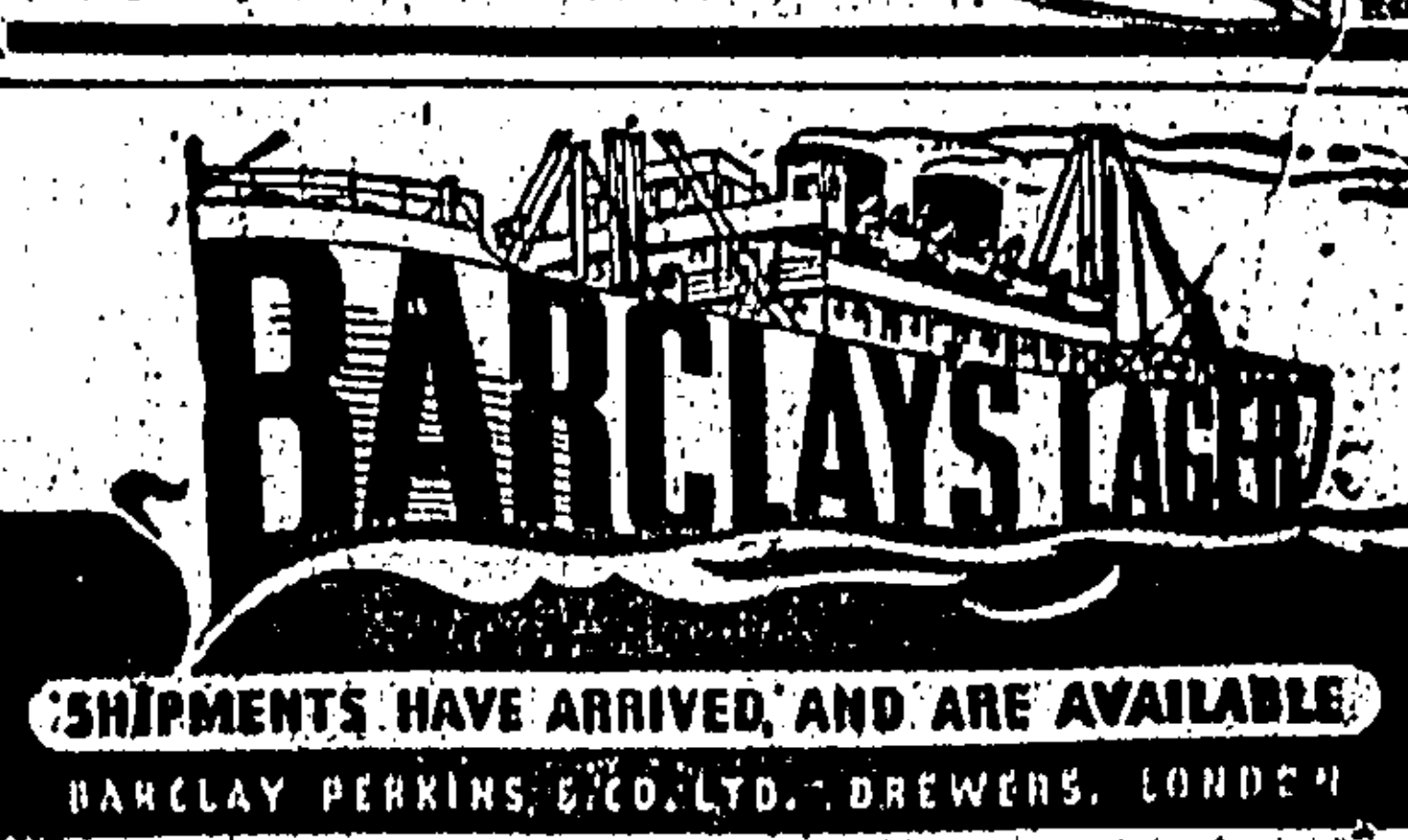
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In the second part of "Report on Communism" Sunday Herald investigators tell how Russia arms her hidden armies

KREMLIN HAS A WORLD 5th COLUMN

At the edge of a large grass field near Toulouse in Southern France a group of men, armed with tommy-guns and grenades, stand waiting.

Drawn up under cover of the trees are three lorries. Round the edges of the field are the scattered lights that from the air indicate a dropping area.

The time is something after midnight. The men look up as the sound of an aircraft comes closer and closer. One, two, three parachutes drop from it to such is attached a large container.

As the sound of the plane fades away the men run out to recover the containers. From them they take sub-machine guns, mortars, boxes of bombs, cases of small-arms ammunition.

Swiftly and with hardly a word spoken they are loaded into the lorries. The men climb on to them, and they drive away into the night.

Another "drop" has been completed.

An Armed Force in Europe

That is not a picture of what happened before D-Day when the H.A.F. was supplying the maquis. It is a picture of what is happening in France, Belgium and elsewhere in Western Europe in July, 1948. It is a picture of Communism in action.

In Europe today Communism is not only a political party pledged to the carrying out of a revolutionary programme. Two stages ahead of the Communist Party of Great Britain, it is also an armed force.

Many of the arms held by the French, Belgian and Italian Communist Parties were acquired when the parties were active in the underground during the war.

The arms used by the Greek Communist forces under Markos are of British, American, Czech and German origin. They still use English sovereigns given to the E.A.M./E.L.A.S. forces before the Germans left Greece.

Recently the police seized dumps of allied arms held by the Danish Communist Party.

The Unknown Aircraft
But every week more arms are coming into the hands of the French, Belgian and Italian Communists. They arrive by what are known officially as "unidentified aircraft."

The main dropping areas are near Mezos, Montellmar, and Toulouse in France; near Stoumont, south-east of Liege in Belgium; and in the area of Bergamo, north of Milan in Italy.

In the same areas the Communists maintain centres for giving military training to selected party members.

Important centres have been maintained in Yugoslavia—at Brod, Krk, Monastir and Priepol, linked with a transit camp at Zagreb—for the instruction of Greek Communists, and staffed by Russians and former members of the International Brigade.

Presumably it is usual to shut them down as they are essentially a part of the Cominform organisation.

Secret Military Organisations

These military organisations inside the various Communist Parties are of course secret. They form part of what is known as

the "underground section," which comes under the control of the I.N.O. "Bureau Number Seven." I.N.O. is the foreign section of the M.G.B. the Soviet Ministry of State Security. Bureau Number Seven has more than a hundred of officials in each country, but they have great power and are directly responsible to the Cominform.

In theory the Cominform consists of the Communist Parties of Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary, Poland, France, Italy, Czechoslovakia, and—until three weeks ago—Yugoslavia. Actually, its machinery controls Communist activity all over Europe.

The Cominform in its turn is a tool of the Political Bureau of the Russian Communist Party, the dynamo of world revolution and Red Imperialism.

Ruler of the Cominform is Colonel-General Zhdanov, member of the Supreme Soviet, of the Secretariat and the Politburo of the Russian Communist Party. And the core of the Red Fifth Column is Bureau Number Seven.

Much Larger Numerically

The Communist Parties of Europe are in several cases numerically much larger than in Britain. The French Party has 1,200,000 members, with 160 representatives in the National Assembly. Its most powerful members are Jacques Duclos, Leon Mauvais, Arthur Ramette and Raoul Cullen. It is the dominating force in the C.G.T., the great confederation of trade unions.

In Italy the Communist Party numbers 2,200,000; in Belgium about 100,000; in Holland about 50,000.

The recently wounded Togliatti (alias Torger), Sereni, Longo, Gallo and Greco are the Red key men in Italy. Longo-Gallo is head of the military organisation known as the Action Front. Maria Rossi is the head of the women's section of the Party.

In Belgium, in contrast to France, the most powerful of the trade union organisations, the F.G.T.B., is strongly anti-Communist. The Red trade unionists being marshalled in the "Acliole Ouvrière."

In Holland there is a close link between the Communist Party and that of Indonesia: few people realise that all the revolts in the Dutch East Indies were Communist in inspiration and direction.

In Spain the Communist Party is illegal, but it maintains an underground organisation which has links by the smugglers' paths across the Pyrenees, with the headquarters of the Spanish Communist Party in Toulouse.

In Southern France the remnants of the Spanish Republican armies of the civil war, now completely under Communist control, maintain their military formation, their arms, and carry out periodical training. In the Cominform plan they constitute a dual-purpose force, for use in France or Spain.

In Portugal also the Communist Party is illegal, so it works under the cover of the Democratic Union Movement.

The Greek Communist Party claims 400,000 members, but this is probably an over-estimate, particularly as the forces of "General" Markos are diminishing in number every day.

Reds Weaker Than A Year Ago

Six months ago, with strong boxes in Albania and Bulgaria, with leaders of various nationalities trained in the special battle school at Kislovodsk in the Caucasus, with a steady flow of arms and ammunition from the north, the Red partisans constituted a real threat to the Greek Government. Today they are everywhere on the defensive.

Events in Greece are a reminder that the position of the Communist Parties in that part of Europe still outside the Red Curtain is appreciably weaker than at the beginning of this year.

Setbacks in the Italian and Finnish elections; failure to produce a revolutionary general strike in France with the recent disorders at Clermont-Ferrand as a result; the strong anti-Communist stand of the Belgian trade unions; failure of the Red sabotage campaign in Western Germany—to the degree the tide has flowed against the Cominform and Moscow.

Moreover, the all-European Communist "party line" has been that "American Capitalism" was about to collapse, and aid for Europe was no more than a "propaganda lie." Now that "line" has been exposed in all its falsity by the actual arrival of Marshall Aid in Europe.

Well and Carefully Planned
Recent events in Yugoslavia, which represent the revolt of the nationalistic Serbs, Croats and Slovenes against Russian domination and bullying, will have reactions in other countries. Showed students of European affairs will watch Hungary and Czechoslovakia very carefully in the coming weeks.

Nor can Molotov and Zhdanov be satisfied entirely with Poland's attitude.

For three years democracy in Europe has been on the defensive against the Communist attack. Today, for the first time, there are signs that the tide is turning, and that even in the police tyrannised States men and women are becoming more and more resentful of the domination of a foreign Power.

The next thirty days may well be as eventful in the history of

Europe as were the Hundred Days which saw the failure of another dictator to dominate the Continent.

Faced with setbacks in Europe, international Communism has turned its attention elsewhere. This is in accordance with the attack on a new and unexpected front.

So The Attack Goes East

That explains why defeat in Greece coincides with attack in Burma, Malaya and French Indo-China; why the resistance of Turkey to Soviet pressure is paralleled by Red outbreaks in South America.

The Red attack in Burma and Malaya—assisted in Burma by a weak left-wing Socialist Government—has been well and carefully planned. For months past Communist agents have been infiltrated from China into these territories, making contact with bandits in the jungle, and in Burma, with both the "red" and "white" Communists.

In March the Burmese and Malayan Communist leaders attended a conference in Calcutta of the World Federation of Democratic Youth. Yugoslav and Russian "youth delegates" were present. From them the Burmese and Malays got their orders for insurrection.

Burma and Indo-China have been chosen as the new point for a Red attack because they constitute the "rice granary" of the East. Before the war Burma alone exported more than 3,000,000 tons a year.

Thrives on Misery and Hunger
The directing staff of the Communist operation argue that if they can disrupt production and hold up the export of rice, countless hundreds of thousands of people in Asia will go hungry. Upon misery and hunger Communism thrives.

And so in the jungles and paddy fields of Burma, in the swamps and rubber plantations of Malaya another battle with Red Imperialism has got to be fought out.

The London docks; the engineering shops and shipyards of Britain; the streets and airfields of Berlin; the mountains of Greece; the jungles of southern Asia; the bazaars of India and Pakistan; the factories of France and Italy—these are the key positions on the world battlefield of the "cold war."

We, and all those who believe in freedom and democracy, in Christianity or any form of religious faith, in the triumph of right over evil, have our part to play.

FORCING A NEW POTSDAM

BY IAN COLVIN

Three years ago, on July 17, 1945, President Truman, Mr. Winston Churchill, Generalissimo Stalin and Mr. Attlee met at Potsdam. They conferred for nine meetings and parted on July 26, to meet again on the 28th, by which time England had dropped her war leader and elected Mr. Attlee Prime Minister.

The talks went on in the Caecilienhof until August 2, when the Potsdam Declaration was issued. The Potsdam Conference was approved and signed.

Moscow's Terms
To-day the Communist German in Berlin are nervously exhorting all the Allies to return to Potsdam and remade the agreement made there. What hope is there that the Powers will agree to that?

Soviet Russia would certainly go, because Potsdam is in her zone and the Western statesmen would seem to be coming in Canossa.

Russia would insist on German politicians of her own choosing being present, as well as the representatives of the six other states that signed the Potsdam Declaration last month.

Against the Marshall Plan. "M. Bidault would come with optimistic hopes, Mr. De Gaulle with infinite distrust, and Mr. Marshall probably not at all. Yet there is every sign that the blockade of Berlin is simply a weapon to get them there."

On July 18 the blockade will have lasted a month.

Unity Sacrificed
The Soviet Military Government has never requested the Western Allies to leave Berlin; it

has more than once signified to them that talks on the whole German problem are overdue. The Council of Foreign Ministers has failed in Paris, Moscow and London; there is hardly anywhere it can appropriately go now.

After negotiating with Stalin in June 1945, the Western Allies entered Berlin in July. They had withdrawn from Thuringia, Mecklenburg, Saxony and Province Saxony. Then began the Potsdam talks. With the dust of bombing still in their eyes, they made many mistakes.

The greatest was to acquiesce in Pomernia, East Brandenburg and Silesia passing to Poland behind the Oder-Niese Line; the second was to leave the execution of quadripartite policy to the zone commanders themselves.

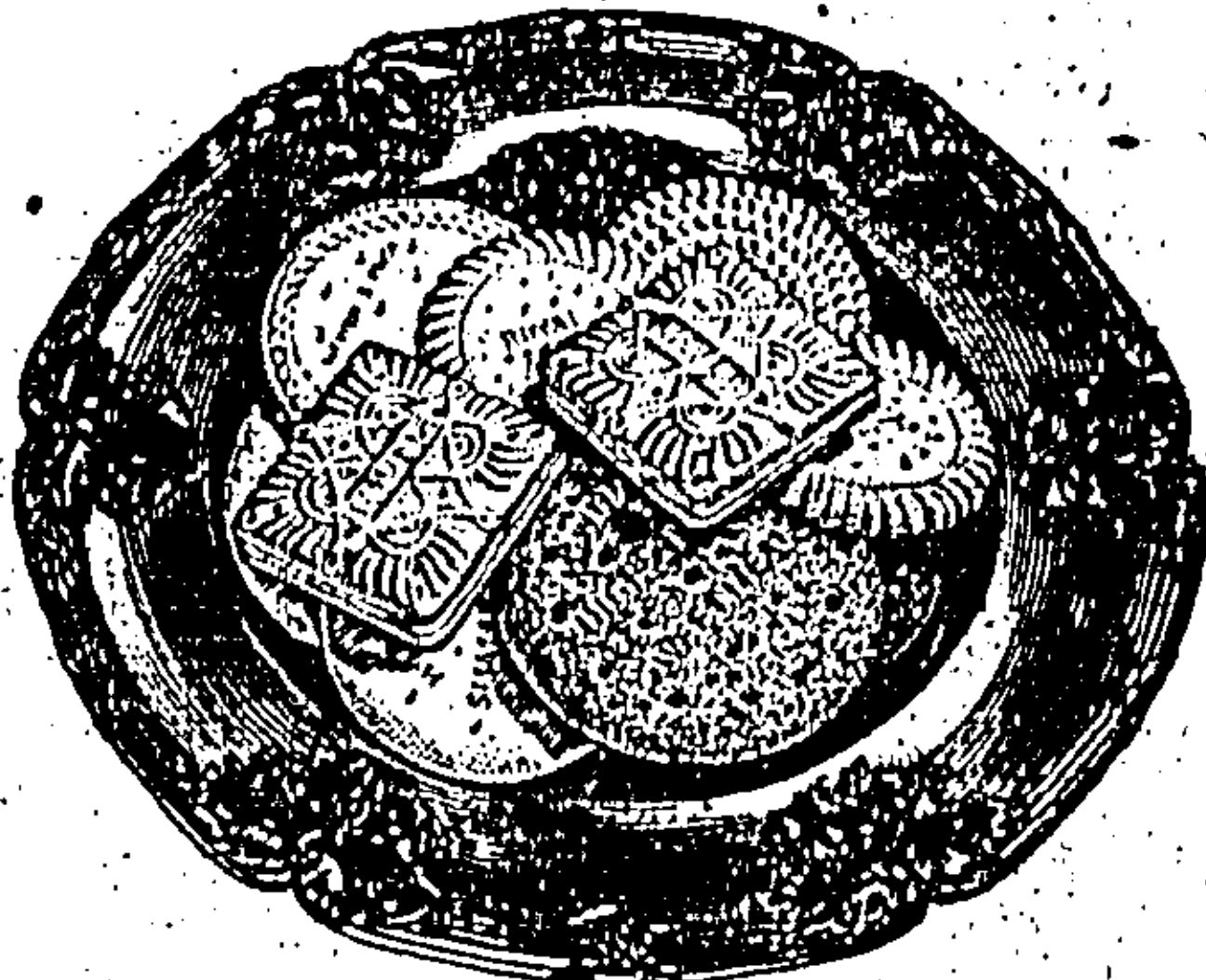
In one breath Germany was proclaimed an economic unit, in another each Power was given the right to indemnify itself by removals from its own zone.

Thus unity of rule and purpose was sacrificed at the very start.

The history of what followed is well known: the Soviet Union removed plant and works of art in enormous but unknown quantities. The Western Powers sought a way to revive and control the industry of their zone, and to keep an eye on their neighbour. They paid great attention to party politics, and in party internationalism lost sight of the ideas of Constitution and State.

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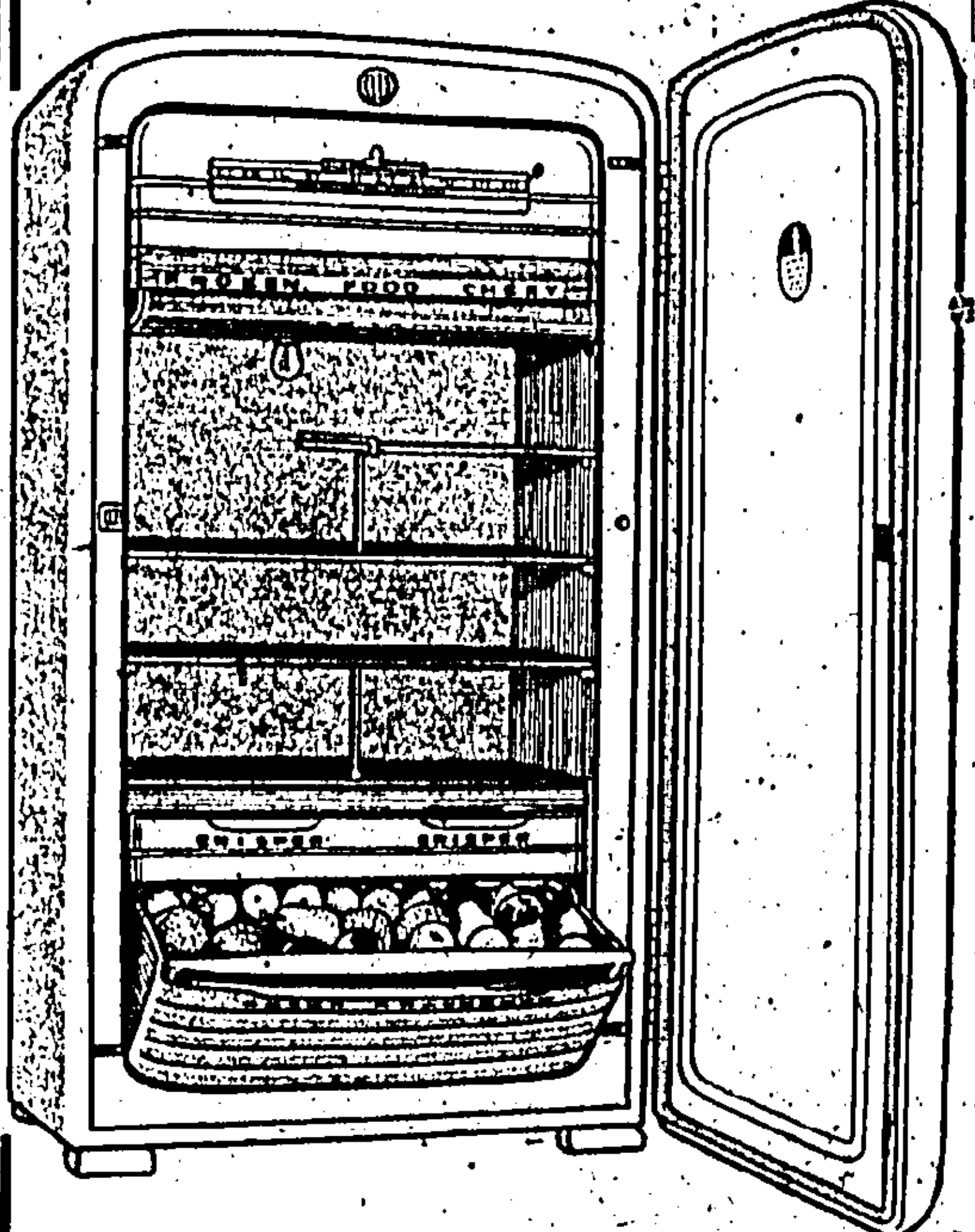
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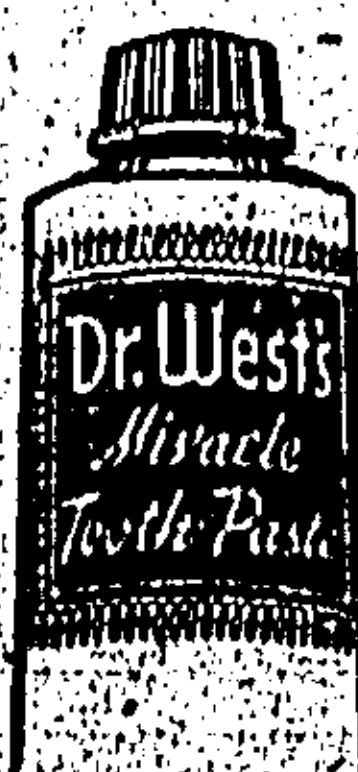
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**CHINESE COMMUNISTS' THREAT
TO START ATTACKS ON
"FOUR YEARS" TO
WIN VICTORY**

Shanghai, July 31.

The Chinese Communists are to launch operations
against cities and set up a new People's Con-
sultative Council.This was announced last evening over the Commun-
ist radio which added that the Council would
consider the convening of a new National As-
sembly and the formation of a coalition gov-
ernment in Red-occupied areas.**Poor
Chances
For Treaty**

London, July 31.

The Australian Foreign
Affairs Minister, Dr. Herbert
Evatt, admitted to a press
conference today that so long
as the Soviets and the West-
ern Allies were at logger-
heads over Berlin, a Japanese
peace treaty was impossible.While reluctantly admitting the
poor chances for such a treaty,
Dr. Evatt added, however, that
the Japanese treaty was a "mat-
ter of urgency."Continued delay in reaching a
Japanese settlement is largely a
by-product of the general inter-
national situation, particularly in
Europe, he said.He stressed that Australia was
worried over the possibility of
being forgotten in the Marshall
Plan as supplies were being
bought for Europe.Turning to the Malayan up-
risings, the Minister said the
Malayan authorities were co-
operating with the British and
Australian Governments to quell
terrorists in Malaya.—United
Press.**Contemplating
Price Control**

Canton, July 31.

The local authorities are con-
templating the setting up of a
body to control commodity prices
owing to the continued rise in the
cost of living, which is making
Canton the most expensive city
in China.A proposal to establish a con-
trolling organisation was con-
sidered at a meeting of the Pro-
vincial Assembly, at which
Mayor Auyang Chiu presented a
detailed report on the price situa-
tion here.No decision was taken and, it
is understood, the proposal will
be more fully examined at the
next meeting of the Assembly.—
Reuter.Denying all rumours of peace
talks, the Radio ascribed them
to the "manoeuvring of Ameri-
can imperialists" who wanted
to overthrow Chiang Kai-shek
and to deal with his subordi-
nates such as "the puppet
vice-president, Li Tsung-jen."The Commander-in-Chief in
North China, General Fu Tso-yi,
he Shansi, Governor-General,
Yen Hsi-shan, and the General-
issimo's brother-in-law and
Governor of Kwangtung, Mr. T.
Soong, were likewise singled
out as "puppets with whom the
Americans wish to deal."The radio estimated that at
least three to four years would
be necessary to achieve a final
Communist victory in China and
said that peace could be based
only on the complete annihilation
of Nationalist armies, the dissolu-
tion of all "reactionary organisa-
tions," the granting of democratic
rights to the population, the ex-
pulsion of "American imperial-
ists" from China and the abolition
of American special privileges in
the country.Among other tasks for the
third year, the Radio stated,
were the spreading of revolu-
tionary propaganda in Nation-
alist areas, land reform, but
only after sufficient preparation
and implementation of all coun-
ter-revolutionaries in "liberated
areas" and the consoli-
dation of their property.**Communist Claims**
The radio said that industrial,
commercial and cultural institu-
tions would not be touched and
that foreigners would be free so
long as they were law-abiding.**Another
Term For
MacArthur**

Washington, July 31.

General Douglas MacArthur
apparently intends to continue
in his job in Tokyo.Army orders appearing today
show he has applied for contin-
ued active duty as a five star Gen-
eral. His application has been
approved.The order is the result of a
technicality in a recent act of
Congress covering five star gen-
erals and admirals. I. provides
that officers of that rank who
have been previously retired will
revert to inactive status unless
they apply for continued active
duty and the application is ap-
proved by the President.General MacArthur retired
originally in 1937. He returned
to active duty when war clouds
began to roll up in the Pacific.
He now is 68 years of age.—As-
sociated Press.**MACARTHUR ON
ACTION' LIST**

Washington, July 31.

General MacArthur, who was
placed on the retired list in 1937,
although he had resumed active
service in 1941, was officially re-
placed on the active list with the
rank of General of the Army on
July 9, the War Department an-
nounced today.—Agence France-
Presse.**PROPERTY LOOTED
BY JAPAN**

Washington, July 31.

The 11-nation Far Eastern Commission voted
today to make it easier for owners to recover
property looted by the Japanese in World
War II.The Commission adopted a
detailed new policy statement
on means of restitution after
side tracking a long standing
dispute.This was whether Japan should
be required to pay for repairs
ships recovered in foreign ports.
The Russians got back some ships
in Hong Kong and the Chinese
recovered some ships in their
ports. The Russians and Chinese
wanted to have these ships re-
paired on the spot at Japanese
expense.When the issue was up earlier
this year, the United States and
other nations objected because
scarce dollar exchange would be
required. Russia used a veto then
to block action.The new policy adopted today
omitted reference to ship repairs
and left the issue to be handled
later in a separate policy deci-
sion.The new restitution decision
displaces an earlier policy. Com-
mission members said it relates
to the terms for identifying the
gold, industrial equipment and
other goods the Japanese looted
from invaded countries.Some claimants had protested
that headquarters of General
Douglas MacArthur interpreted
standards of evidence too rigidly
and made recovery of loot unduly
difficult. Commission rulings are
binding on MacArthur as the
Supreme Allied Commander in
Japan.—Associated Press.**CENTRAL ASIAN
DEVELOPMENT**

Moscow, July 30.

The rich Ferghana Valley of
Central Asia, one of the great
cotton growing centres of the
world, is richer by thousands of
kilowatt hours of electrical capac-
ity and millions of cubic feet of
water.The Soviet geographical maga-
zine, Around the World, reports
that the great Syr-Darya River
which flows through the valley
has been dammed and a new
power house put into operation.
—Associated Press.**KING'S TRIBUTE
TO WILHELMINA**

London, July 30.

A special police guard stood by
at London airport today when
paintings from King George's
personal collection were loaded
on a Dutch airliner.Valued at £500,000, the paint-
ings are being loaned to Queen
Wilhelmina of the Netherlands as
a personal tribute from the King
on the occasion of her jubilee
celebration.—Associated Press.**BBC Takes
Over**London, July 30.
At the request of the Gov-
ernment, the British Broad-
casting Corporation will as-
sume on Aug. 8 responsibility
for the British Far Eastern
Broadcasting Service which,
since the liberation of
Malaya, has been operated in
Singapore by the Foreign
Office.There will be no change in
service, it is announced. This
will be the first time that the
British Broadcasting Cor-
poration has had direct re-
sponsibility for conducting a
broadcasting service based
outside the United Kingdom.
—Reuter.**NEVADA
GAME TO
THE LAST**

OFF Honolulu, July 30.

The old battleship Nevada,
survivor of two world wars
and two atomic bombs, was
sunk today by the combined
shelling, bombing and torpedo-
ing of a Navy training task
fleet and Air Force and naval
air might.The doughty old veteran from
the Bikini atom bomb tests sank
at 8.34 p.m. She took a terrific
pounding from five-inch and 16-
inch shells and aerial bombs and
rockets before she keeled over
off the island of Oahu.
"Old Unsinkable" took all that
14 warships and the weapons of
60 bombers, fighters and torpedo
bombers could give.Before the torpedo bombers
came in for the coup de grace,
she still floated with a 10-de-
gree list.—United Press.**FOREIGNERS
WARNED**

Shanghai, July 31.

The Police Bureau warned for-
eigners in Shanghai today it
would begin to check on Aug. 2
to determine how many have
foreign residents' certificates.
The Bureau said that foreigners
found without them would be
"dealt with in accordance with
law".—Associated Press.**RADIO**ZHW Hong Kong broadcasting on a
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H.K.T.10.30 a.m.—Relay of the Service from St.
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chestra.11.30 p.m.—"March of the Movies"
(ORND).12.00 p.m.—London Studio Concert by
the London Radio Orchestra.
(BBCS).12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
1.30 a.m.—Johnny Dorsey and His Or-
chestra.1.00 p.m.—Traditional Songs.
1.15 a.m.—News, Weather Report and
Announcements.1.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 a.m.—"From the Films".6.30 p.m.—"The Adventure of Julia"
by Peter Cherny. (BBCS).No 11 "Presenting Miss Heron".
7.00 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter. (Lon-
don Relay).7.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead". (Studio)
A Review of the Week's Pro-
gramme.7.30 p.m.—Famous Overtures.
8.00 p.m.—World and Home News
(London Relay).8.15 p.m.—Dinner Music.
8.45 p.m.—Gilbert and Sullivan
Exodus. The Summit of Suc-
cess. (BBCS).9.45 p.m.—Tchaikovsky: Capriccio
Italian Boston Promenade Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News
(London Relay).10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.16 p.m.—British Prime Ministers of
the 19th Century.No 11: Lord Russell. (BBCS)
10.30 p.m.—Chamber Music.
11.00 p.m.—Sunday Kolosse conducted by
the Rev. Father A. Birmingham
S. J. (Studio).11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close
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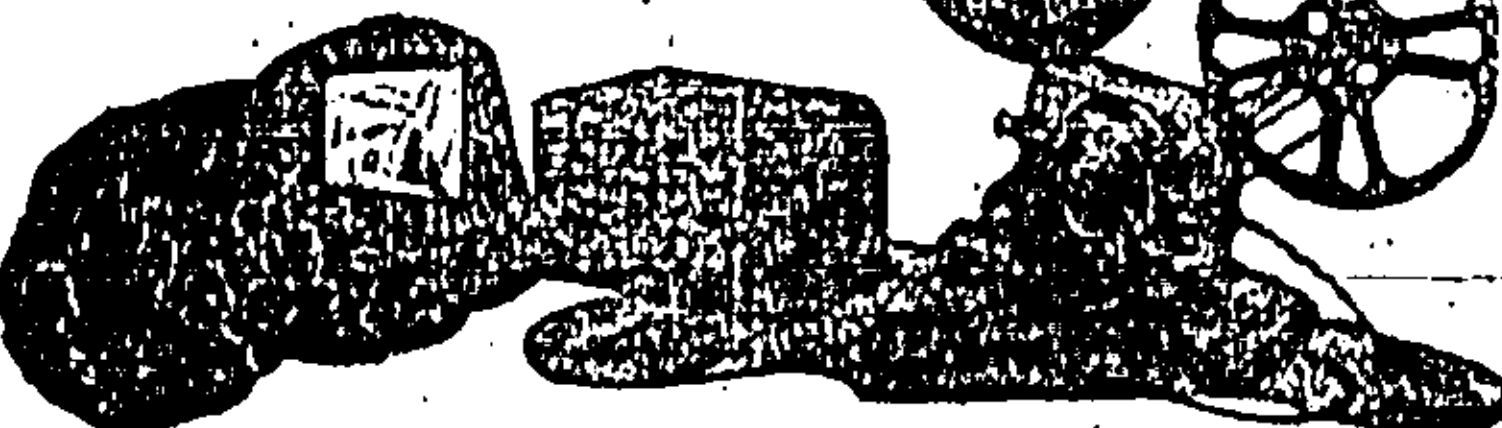
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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

By Margaret Bradbury

"CANTON" PASSENGERS

MR. "MICK" Elston, Chief of the Criminal Investigation Department and the oldest member of the Hong Kong Police Force, will sail for England with Mrs. Elston on August 9 aboard the s.s. "Canton". After nearly 30 years service with the Force, "Mick" is going on permanent retirement. Mrs. Elston, who has been on the staff of the Republic Day Hotel for the last 10 months, and was previously with the S.T. & L. Department, was born in Hong Kong. Her father was the



MR. E. H. ELSTON.

late Inspector Garrard, first Traffic Inspector in the Colony. Among Mrs. Elston's earlier memories of Hong Kong, is that in 1915 there was a total of only 40 vehicles on the roads. She also recalls that as a child, a visit to Kowloon City or Simukwan com-

prised a day's outing. The first part of the journey—which is today only a ten minute car ride—had to be made by tramcar as far as Causeway Bay, and the remainder by ricksha. Mr. and Mrs. Elston will celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary on the day they sail to England. They have two sons who are both studying at Home, Michael aged 20 is taking a Civil Engineering Degree, and Jeremy aged 11 is at school. Just before the occupation of Hong Kong, Mrs. Elston was evacuated to Australia with her younger son, but prior to that she was for five years the organizer of the Cheero Club. Mr. Elston was interned in Stanley camp, and had the harrowing experience of being selected for a death sentence by the Japanese. He was removed from the camp, but after three weeks of near starvation, he was relieved and sent back again.

HOLIDAY PLANE ARRIVES

THE pleased and excited parents of seven children were waiting at Kai Tak airport on Wednesday afternoon to meet their equally jubilant offspring as they stepped off the BOAC flying boat from England. Aged between eight and 12 years, the children are beginning their summer holidays from school at Home, and will spend the next six weeks here before returning to their studies in various parts of England, Scotland and Wales. Youngest member of the party was nine-year-old David White who goes to school at Southborne, Hants. The others were Colin and John Selby, the two sons of Doctor and Mrs. J.A.R. Selby, David Proft, Sheila Braga, Douglas Robb, Judith Collis and Patrick Montgomery whose father is Air Adviser at the British Embassy in Tokyo. He will continue his flight to Japan to join his parents.

BROWN-HAIRED Sheila Braga, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Braga, celebrated her 12th birthday on the aircraft between Karachi and Calcutta and the occasion was suitably provided for

Need's headquarters are at Singapore where the Trade Union sponsored Seamen's Registration Bureau Bill is shortly to be introduced.

IT IS Mr. Reed's hope to set up a similar bureau here, and with that object in view he is meeting various local Trade Union heads. He stated however that he realizes there are many difficulties to overcome in launching such a project in Hong Kong, but added: "I have found after 30 years of this type of work that with goodwill and co-operation on both sides you can solve almost any problem." It might be sensible at this stage for the authorities to make sure they would be attempting to solve a problem, and not attempting to create one.

BY THE WAY

MR. "JIM" Tocker, previously Senior Revenue Officer in the New Territories who left Hong Kong nearly a year ago for British Borneo, was married in March this year to a former Sydney girl. Mr. Tocker is stationed at Labuan, and holds the position of Chief Collector of Revenue. Friends will be interested to know that Mrs. Tocker, at present paying a visit to Hong Kong, reports that her husband enjoys the life out there, and has, incidentally, become a strict teetotaler.

THE man who has said "good-bye" to more people than anyone else in the Colony during the past year, became a member of civvy street yesterday for the first time in nine years. He was Staff Captain E. A. Fisher of the Royal Engineers, whose job it has been for the last 12 months as Embarkation Officer, to be present at all troop departures. On Friday he carried out his last embarkation duties when the Lancashire sailed with 1,100 Naval, Army and R.A.F. personnel on board. Mr. Fisher, as he is known now, joined the Army in August 1939, and spent the war years in the European Theatre.



At Kai Tak airport on Wednesday, this re-union picture shows the sons and daughters of Hong Kong residents who were met by their parents on their arrival by BOAC plane from England. From left to right are: Patrick Montgomery, David Proft, Mrs. H. Braga and her daughter Sheila, Douglas Robb, Judith Collis, David White, and Colin and John Selby.

by members of the crew, and the other young passengers. Their trip to Hong Kong marks the first time that children have been flown out in any numbers to join their parents for school vacation under the care of an air company. BOAC are also running another "children's holiday flying boat" to Karachi at the moment, with 28 children aboard.

The plane left England on Thursday. On Wednesday's aircraft to Hong Kong, accompanying the children were Mrs. Eve Browster, BOAC Public Relations official and Mr. H. Hensser, BOAC photographer. They are on their way to Japan and will leave Hong Kong on Thursday. Mrs. Browster last visited the Colony in 1940 on her way to England from Australia where she was a "Wren" for three years during the war. Mr. Hensser only recently returned to England to begin his "trip out" here after spending two months photographing game hunting expeditions in Kenya.

TRADE UNIONIST IN H.K. MR. GEORGE Reed, Far East Secretary of the International Workers' Federation, who is visiting the Colony from Singapore, introduced himself at a press meeting in the Labour Office during the week as a person who might put Trade Unionism to rest. He said that he had been in the Peninsula Hotel, has been a Trade Unionist since 1918. He told a group of Chinese and European reporters who had been gathered together to meet him: "I am just a worker. I started to go to work at the age of 10. I have been a member of the I.W.F. since 1918. I have been a member of the I.W.F. since 1918. I have been a member of the I.W.F. since 1918."

He was sent to Singapore for two years before he arrived in Hong Kong in August last year. He will shortly join the staff of the Advertising, Publicity Bureau.

MRS. Mollie Lacy, a senior stewardess on the "Lancashire" and well known to Naval and Shipping circles in the Colony—was one of the first women to receive the George Medal. Mrs. Lacy "went to sea" as a young girl and became a junior stewardess. She carried on throughout the war working on many ships although she was on board five vessels when they were sunk by the enemy. In retaliation, they were the "Yorkshire" (sunk in convoy on her way to the U.K.), the "Staffordshire", the

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REPUBLICAN PLANS FOR CONGRESS

Washington, July 31.

The special session of Congress may enact only one of President Truman's anti-inflation proposals—curbs on credit—and adjourn a week from Saturday.

Senator Robert Taft made this first definitive statement of Republican plans as they gathered in a quiet session of the House. The Democratic suggestion that the President's anti-inflation proposals be put before Congress to be what he would do about high prices.

Meanwhile, the Senate civil rights bill continued in the feature fashion, with no indication that the Republican leadership planned drastic steps to block it. But it was pointed out that the Senate would "disorder" the bill.



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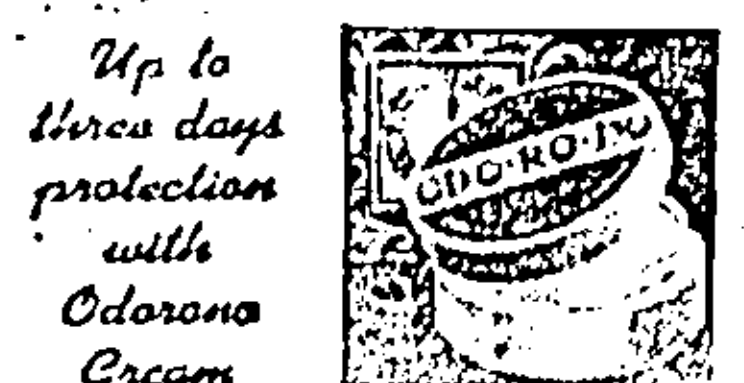
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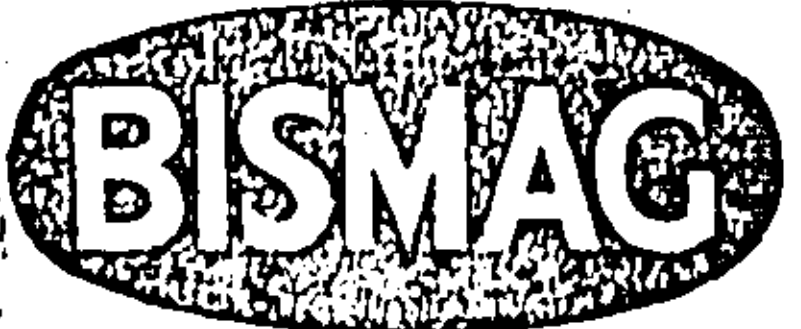
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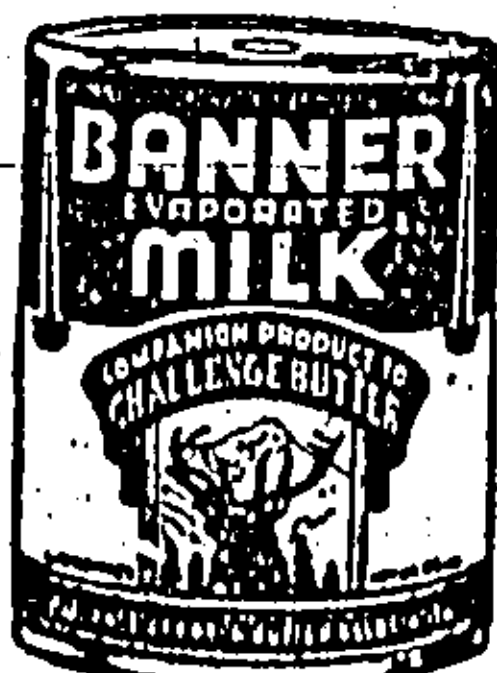


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RETALIATION THREAT IN PALESTINE

General To Lead US Air Force In Britain

Washington, July 30. The United States Government does not intend, for the time being, to increase the group of 60 Super-fortresses now stationed in Britain for training purposes, authorized sources stated here today.

The fact that the commander of the 15th. American Air Force, General Leon Johnson, was being sent to London, showed the importance the American air forces attached to this training flight, it was added.

An Air Force spokesman said that General Johnson was flying to London on Sunday and that he would shortly take command of three groups of B-29 Super-fortresses, which were an improved model of the planes which were used to bomb Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

Forty-three years of age, General Johnson is one of the youngest generals in the American armed forces. He was commander of the 8th. Air Force, which was the first group to carry out American daily raids over Germany—Agence France-Presse.

Rhodes, July 30. Count Folke Bernadotte's Palestine Truce Headquarters reported that the Arabs had complained that three Arab villages, Jaba, Ein Grabal and Izjim, on the Tel Aviv-Haifa road, had been attacked by Jewish air and ground forces.

An Iraqi commander told a United Nations truce observer that if Jewish attacks were not stopped, the Iraqi air force would retaliate. The observer has warned the Jews.

Pasha, that two landing craft loaded with war material and supplies left Bari, Italy, on July 26 for Palestine.

"The acting Chief of Staff has been instructed to take necessary measures involving observers on land, at sea and in the air, and the report has been called to the attention of Tel Aviv," Count Bernadotte reported.

The Jewish Commander of the Jerusalem area told the people by radio today that Arab forces might launch full scale hostilities at any moment.

The commander said the "war is not yet ended and we cannot afford to relax our efforts until final victory is reached."

He said that everyone must continue service on guard duty and building defences.—Reuter and Associated Press.

"The matter is being investigated and taken up with Arab authorities," Count Bernadotte cabled the Security Council.

Jewish Warning
The mediator said he had received a report from the Egyptian Prime Minister, Nokrashi

Heat Wave Concession

London, July 30. The Board of Trade today made a concession to Britons sweltering in a heat wave which showed no signs of abating as the annual August bank holiday week-end was about to commence.

The Board announced that, "in view of the weather," bathing suits—originally due to come off the clothing ration on Aug. 9—would be coupon free as from tomorrow.—Reuter.

JAPAN SHIPS ALBACORE

Monterey, Calif., July 30. The first Japanese albacore to reach an American packing plant since the war arrived here yesterday.

Thirty-five tons of the Japanese-caught fish were transported to San Francisco aboard the President Grant and brought here by refrigerator cars. An additional 90 tons are due here on Monday.

Albacore have been selling from \$200 to \$240 a ton on the California market. The Hovden Food Products Cannery said the Japanese fish cost about \$100 a ton less than the prevailing price.—Associated Press.

WHEAT AGREEMENT WARNING

London, July 30. The important magazine, "The Economist," today warned strongly against the revival of the wheat agreement by Britain.

It said that there were even better arguments today against the agreement than four months ago when it was first published. The prices to be paid for wheat by importers for 1948-1949 ranged from a minimum of \$1.50 per bushel to a maximum of \$2.00.

The Economist said that this range was narrow at the time when wheat prices were above \$3.00 per bushel and argued that if the negotiators for a new wheat agreement were to be reopened next spring, the revised price schedule might well be 50 cents lower.

The Economist urged unequivocal interpretation of clause 9 of article 6, reserving complete liberty of the contracting Governments in determination and administration of their internal agricultural price policies. The Economist said that failure to clarify these provisions would enable the United States Government to keep the world wheat

export price at a maximum point of \$2.00 per bushel and enjoy high internal and export price.

The Economist added that cynics might associate President Truman's move to revive the wheat agreement with a desire to maintain external prices for wheat at a level already guaranteed to American farmers by the Government.—United Press.

COMMITTEE ON COLONIES

London, July 30. The Foreign Ministers Deputies decided to dissolve the four-power investigating commission which recently visited Italy's former colonies and congratulated its members on their work.

A sub-committee was set up to report by Aug. 9 on divergences of fact between the commission's report and the Ethiopian Foreign Minister's statement.—Reuter

COLOMBIA MAY RAISE BERLIN CRISIS

Lake Success, July 31. Colombia may shortly raise the question of Berlin in the Security Council, informed sources reported here today.

Before taking any steps in this connection, however, Colombia is expected to wait for the green light from the United States, it was added.

The head of the Colombian delegation to the Security Council, Urdaneta Arbelaez, called on Mr. George C. Marshall, the American Secretary of State, during the week, as well as prominent members of the State Department.

The Colombian move, it was reported, will not be similar to the Czechoslovakian resolution to be presented to the Security Council will merely state that the Council is closely following the Big Four negotiations on Berlin and is hopeful of an amicable settlement being reached.

It is reported that the British delegation will oppose the Colombian proposal.

Meanwhile a British personal ally A.F.P. that it was premature to bring the Berlin situation before the United Nations Security Council while talks were still going on among the big Powers.

Syria Too

The Syrian delegate, Faria el Khouri, also planned to consult his Government on whether he should raise the explosive Berlin issue before the Security Council.

United Nations observers generally agreed that such a move had virtually no chance of any success. The Berlin issue, Khouri himself admitted, is a situation where there is little likelihood of a solution if the matter was brought to UN before any of the parties were ready for such a development.

Diplomats and officials here are sharply divided on whether the United States could save the situation even if the Western Powers appealed for UN action as they indicated they might do.

Syria's demand that the Big Four take the Berlin case to UN reflected the feelings of a considerable number of small powers at the big powers' attitude toward the United Nations peace-making machinery.

Resentment

These little nations resented having the giants' pressure them into settlement of disputes through UN when they themselves were deadlocked in one crucial case after another. Khouri castigated the big powers for frightening the world and failing to settle the Berlin dispute before the UN.

He said that he hoped one of the powers would bring the Berlin case to UN, but did not tell newsmen whether one of the small nations would do it.—Agence France-Presse and United Press.

U.S. FORCES IN BRITAIN

London, July 30. "A little more than 2,000 members of the United States Armed Forces are, at present, stationed in Britain," the Minister of Defence, Mr. A. V. Alexander, told the House of Commons today in a written answer to Labour M.P., Mr. A.M. Hutchingson.

Mr. Alexander stated that these men were members of the American Atlantic and Mediterranean naval headquarters and comprised, also, officers and enlisted men training in Britain. Their upkeep was paid for by the United States, the Defence Secretary stated.—Agence France-Presse

CHIANGS VISITING SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 31. President and Madame Chiang Kai-shek arrived here from Mokanshan via Hangchow last night in a special plane for a brief visit.

They were accompanied by General Yu Tsi-shih, the President's aide-de-camp.

The Presidential party is scheduled to leave today, but it is not definite yet whether it will go to Mokanshan or Nan-king.

President Chiang looked fit and cheerful when he landed at the airfield. He left Mokanshan yesterday afternoon after a conference with several top-flight Government leaders on emergency measures to stabilize the country's economic situation, including price control.—Reuter.

AUSSIE APPEAL FOR SUPPORT OF JAPAN

Genova, July 30. Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, today appealed to the nations to encourage a peaceful and prosperous Japan to play a full part in the life of the Far East. Speaking to the 18-nation Economic and Social Council on future plans for the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, Dr. Evatt demanded a "few simple key controls" to ensure no future aggression by the Japanese.

"Those who are further afield sometimes appear to us to give insufficient weight to this need for curbing opportunities for future aggression," he said. "Though Australia seeks to retain security controls, she does not seek to limit Japan's peaceful productive capacity."

"Australia would emphasize the importance of a democratic reorganization of Japanese industry and of Japanese economic and social life so that her desire to make war should be reduced."

"Good work in this respect has already been done by General Douglas MacArthur, the Supreme Allied Commander in the Pacific, and the occupation authorities in Japan," Dr. Evatt added.

First Tasks

"The most important economic tasks confronting Asia and the Far East today are to develop the region industrially and to increase production and improve the distribution of food."

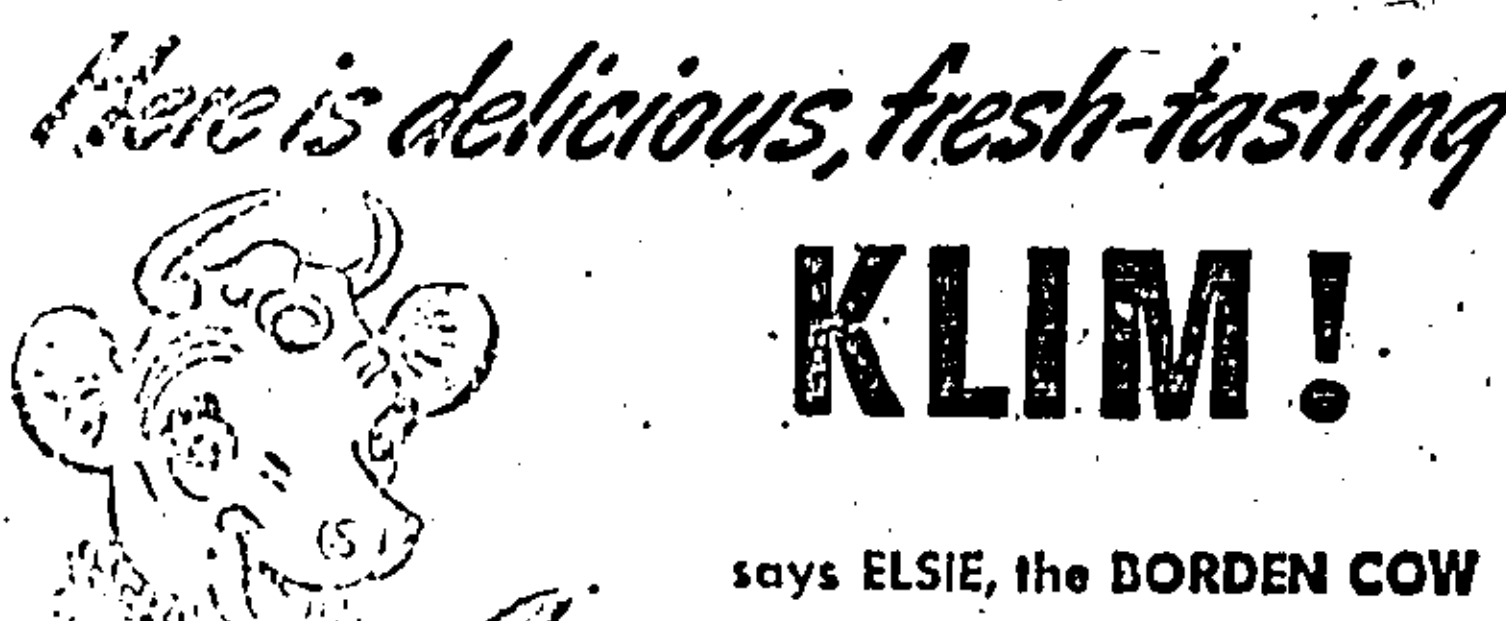
"Australia has, in the past, been prepared to do what she can to help the countries of the Far East with which she has so much in common, and I can assure the Council that we will continue to do our utmost."

The Commission, said Dr. Evatt, had limited itself, so far, to preliminary studies as the improvement of the standard of

GASPERI WARNING TO REDS

Rome, July 30. Angry and red-faced, Premier Alcide de Gasperi today warned Italy's Communists to stop preaching revolution or to face the consequences. The 20-minute speech by the Communist partisan leader Luigi Longo's criticism of the Government was the most serious speech of Signor de Gasperi's career.

He bellowed: "I tell Longo now, stop this and to violence. If you want to frighten weak men, then say to you, it is our duty not only to defend democracy but to defend the people and the working class against fear and even to give them courage."—United Press.



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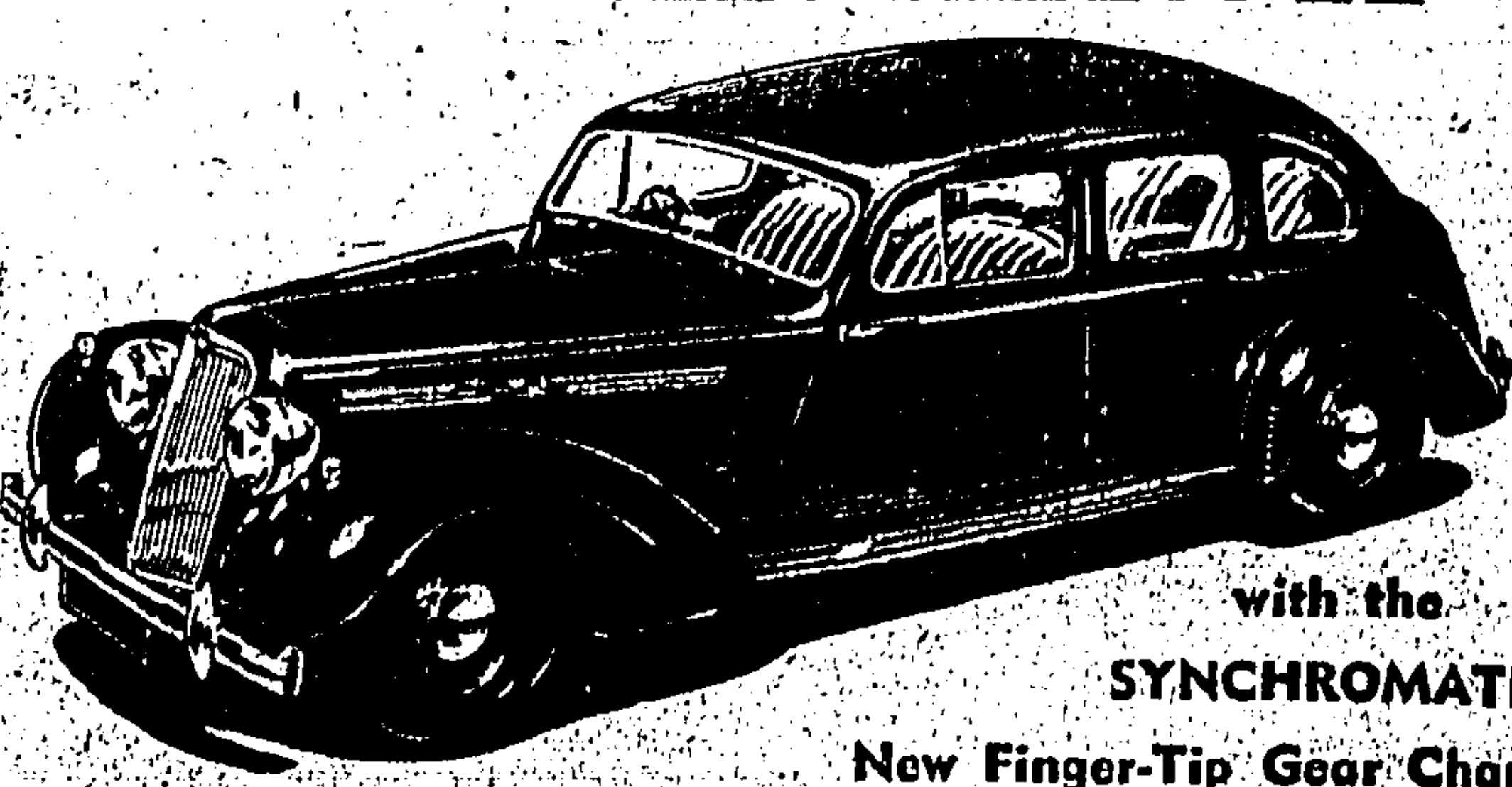


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Have we lost India? The British Empire of India that we knew was divided last year into the two separate and independent Dominions of India and Pakistan. But it remains one great sub-continent.

Let us take the assets first. On the economic side we have long depended much on India as a good customer and a source of raw materials we need in peace and war—jute, manganese, cotton, tea, and many other things. In peace, of course, we may still buy from her what we need, so long as we can pay for it. Nevertheless, should India and Pakistan leave the Commonwealth we are likely to suffer economically from the breaking of the very close commercial and

financial ties which have so long bound India to us. In the past, too, most of India's exports have been carried in British ships; so that, should India and Pakistan part company

Moreover, we have long relied on India's fighting man-power to supplement our own. The British-Indian Army, world-famous in the last world war, is now split into the two

And should they leave the Commonwealth no one can say today whether their great reserve of first-class fighting men would be available again.

In the last war 2,500,000 Indian soldiers, all volunteers, fought on our side. But for the help of our Indian divisions, Egypt might not have been held nor the Japanese defeated in Burma.

It is true that the same might be said of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, but these nations are tied to us by blood and common ideals, whereas Pakistan and India, closely connected with us as they are in other ways, are not.

By Field-Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck

with us, this may change to our disadvantage.

Strategically, the loss of India as a source of raw materials in war would gravely affect our defence of the Commonwealth.

separate armies of Pakistan and India, no longer led by British officers.

Even if the two new Dominions do stay with us, we can no longer count on the immediate help of their armies in emergency.

Now Is The Hour For A Democratic Charter

Never since the invasions of the Tartars in the thirteenth century has Europe been faced by so grave a peril as that which we face today.

Few guessed in A.D. 1241 that the terror resorted to by the Asiatic hordes was a deliberate war policy, intended both to demoralise the peoples of Christendom and give the impression that the number of the invaders was limitless.

The Same Policy It was an astute strategy, for simultaneously it undermined the resistance of the attacked and magnified the offensive power of the attacker.

Today, though the technique is incomparably more subtle, the same war policy is being followed by the descendants of the Tartars.

And since 1944 it has enabled them to subdue all the countries their ancestors overran in 1241-1242, and several more besides. Then a mere accident saved Western Europe: Genghis Khan, the Khakan-Khan of the Tartars, died in distant Mongolia, and the Tartar hordes trooked 6,000 miles out of Europe and through Asia to elect his successor.

This time, to await for Stalin, the reigning Khakan, to set out on his final journey to Turkey would indeed be to tempt Providence.

The New Technique Therefore, if we would learn how best to defend ourselves, let us set mirrors aside and instead examine the strategy of terror and discover where its strength and weakness lie.

At once we shall see that, by means of a new technique, it can attain the aim of all shooting wars without firing a shot, and, therefore, is incomparably more economical.

Listen to Hitler. Away back in 1933 he asked the question: "What is the object of war?" And correctly answered: "To make the enemy capitulate." This he added: "Why should I demoralise him by military means if I can do so better and more cheaply in other ways? Why, indeed?"

What is Russia's object and what are the ways the Russians are employing in the present "cold war"?

Her object is to foment treachery within the enemy's fortress—his country—and force its capitulation through revolt: a very old idea.

But whereas in former times the normal procedure was to bribe a faction of the enemy with gold, now it is to bribe his entire garrison—his people—with the Communist Eldorado: a kind of materialised, mechanised, streamlined Mahomedan seventh-heaven myth, which, incidentally, does not cost the donor twopence.

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The Two Methods

The ways are two in number. The FIRST is to reduce the garrison to such a state of physical misery that it will greedily swallow the idealistic worm together with the hidden materialistic hook.

The SECOND is to be in possession of fighting forces of sufficient power to terrify the enemy's fortress command—his Government—into feeling incapable of

simultaneously facing up to assault from without while struggling against treachery within. This directly leads to what is called "appeasement," which is nothing other than political treachery on the part of the Government itself.

Now the weak link in the harness of this strategy is that a system of this strategy is that a system

By Major-General J.F.C. Fuller

tem based on terror and slavery is morally rotten and economically unsound.

It is fundamentally retrogressive and not progressive, and in the long run cannot hope to come against its opposite—free men, free enterprise, and free institutions.

But the danger today is not in the long run. Instead it is in the short run—the present and immediate future. Therefore, if we Europeans are to drive as free peoples, we must act promptly, otherwise we shall be submerged.

One Word Changed What should our aim be in the counter-offensive? To oppose treachery by loyalty. To offer to all European nations, enslaved as well as free, and also to all nations outside Europe, a Democratic Charter which will be their oriflamme in their assault on the Communist Manifesto.

I suggest that it should be the Atlantic Charter with but one word changed: for "Nazi" read "Bolshevik." And that this time the Charter should not be inscribed on a scrap of paper which can be torn up, but instead written into the Constitutions of all free democratic countries, and above all lived up to by all free democratic peoples.

Should this be done, then their example will bring a torch into the world which will set its many peoples ablaze with a fiery enthusiasm.

Without a Charter there can be no common aim to fight for, and without a common aim there can be no unity of purpose or of action. When, once again, the peoples of Europe can with one voice cry "In this sign with conquest!" the spiritual foundations of their defence will be well and truly laid.

And what must they erect on these foundations? Economic ramparts and bastions to keep



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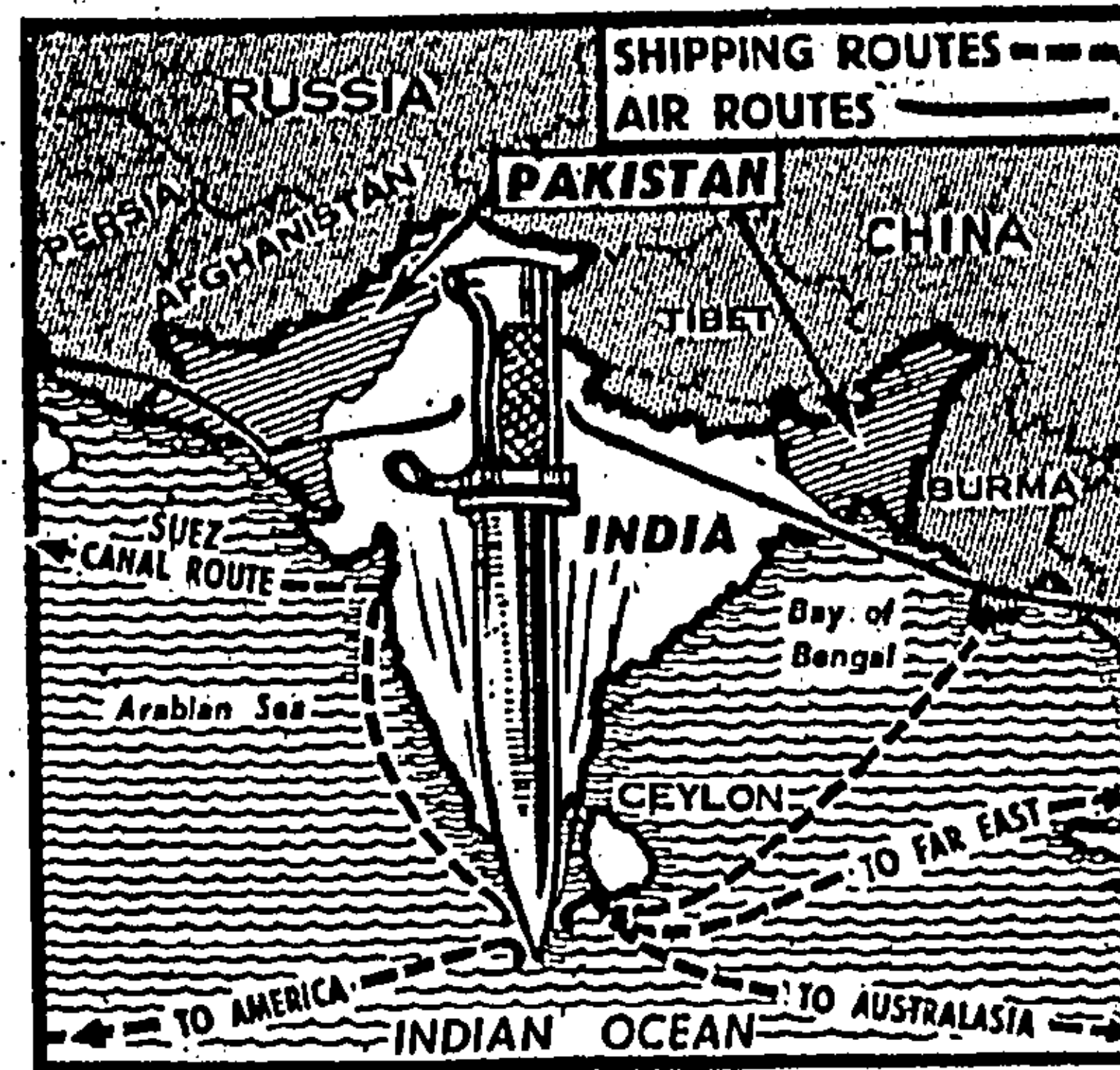
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are well aware of this. Communist influence in China is steadily spreading and may soon control the whole country; from Burma, too, only the other day came alarming reports of Communist activity. These reports may have been exaggerated, but they are disturbing.

India, also, has its Communist Party—small, perhaps, but well organised and vigorous. All these converging influences may make the defence of India's eastern frontier a live problem in the near future and one which Britain cannot disregard.

For over 100 years, now the British Navy has undertaken the defence of India's long coast-line and of her sea communications.

The new navies of Pakistan and India, though efficient, are yet very small and incapable of shouldering this burden.

If, then, these two new Dominions stay in the Commonwealth, the Royal Navy will have to bear the brunt of this task for some time to come.

The air forces, too, of India and Pakistan are still infinitesimal in size and lack industrial and technical backing.

It looks, therefore, as if the Royal Air Force would have to shoulder the responsibility for the air defence of the two new Dominions for the time being.

The choice of staying in or out of the Commonwealth is generally assumed to rest with India and Pakistan alone. But there are two sides to the question.

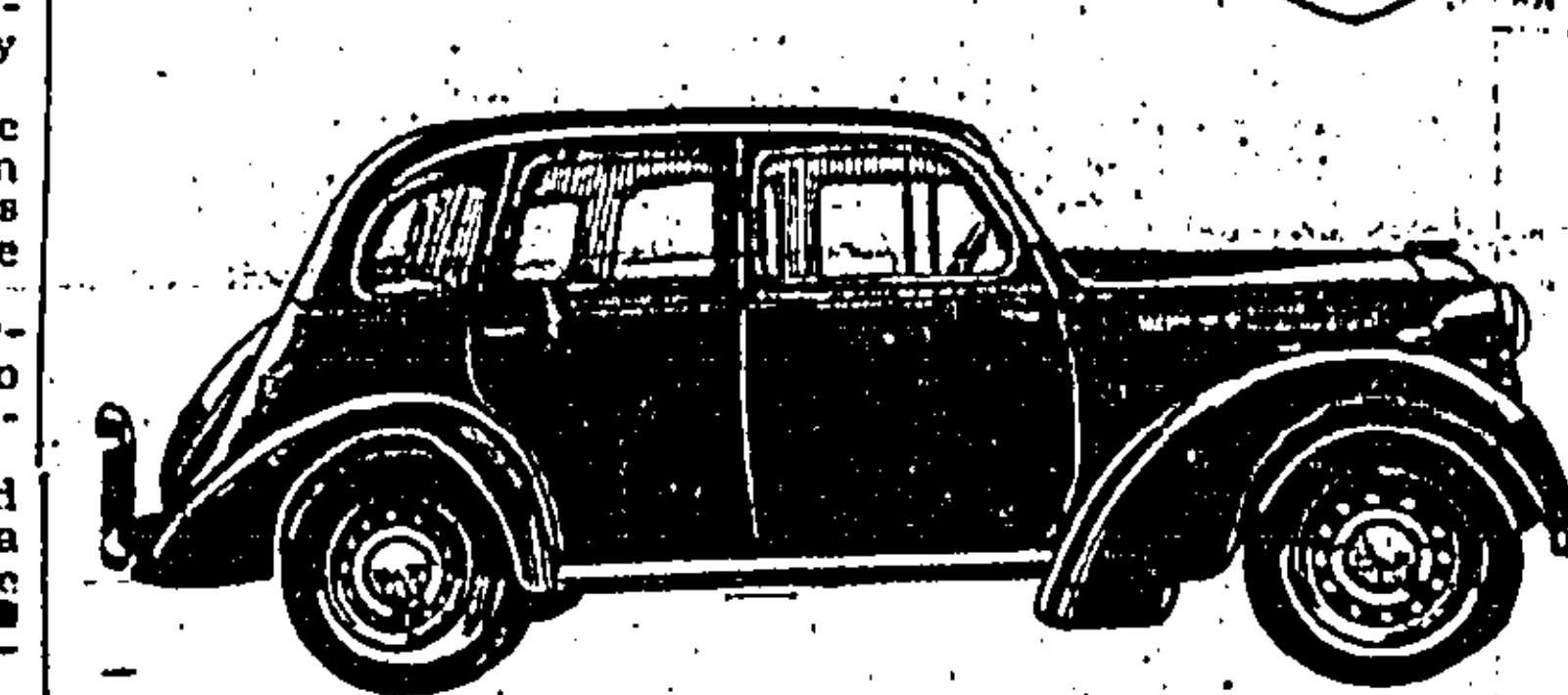
We, in our present straitened circumstances, cannot be expected to shoulder unreservedly the heavy commitments in which the future defence of these two new Dominions may well involve us.

We might cripple ourselves in the attempt.

And though separation must be repugnant to us and we must hope that both India and Pakistan will stay in the Commonwealth, it must be on a reciprocal basis. There must be giving as well as taking.

So long as they remain with us we have not "lost India," but there is no doubt that the position has radically changed, and not to our advantage.

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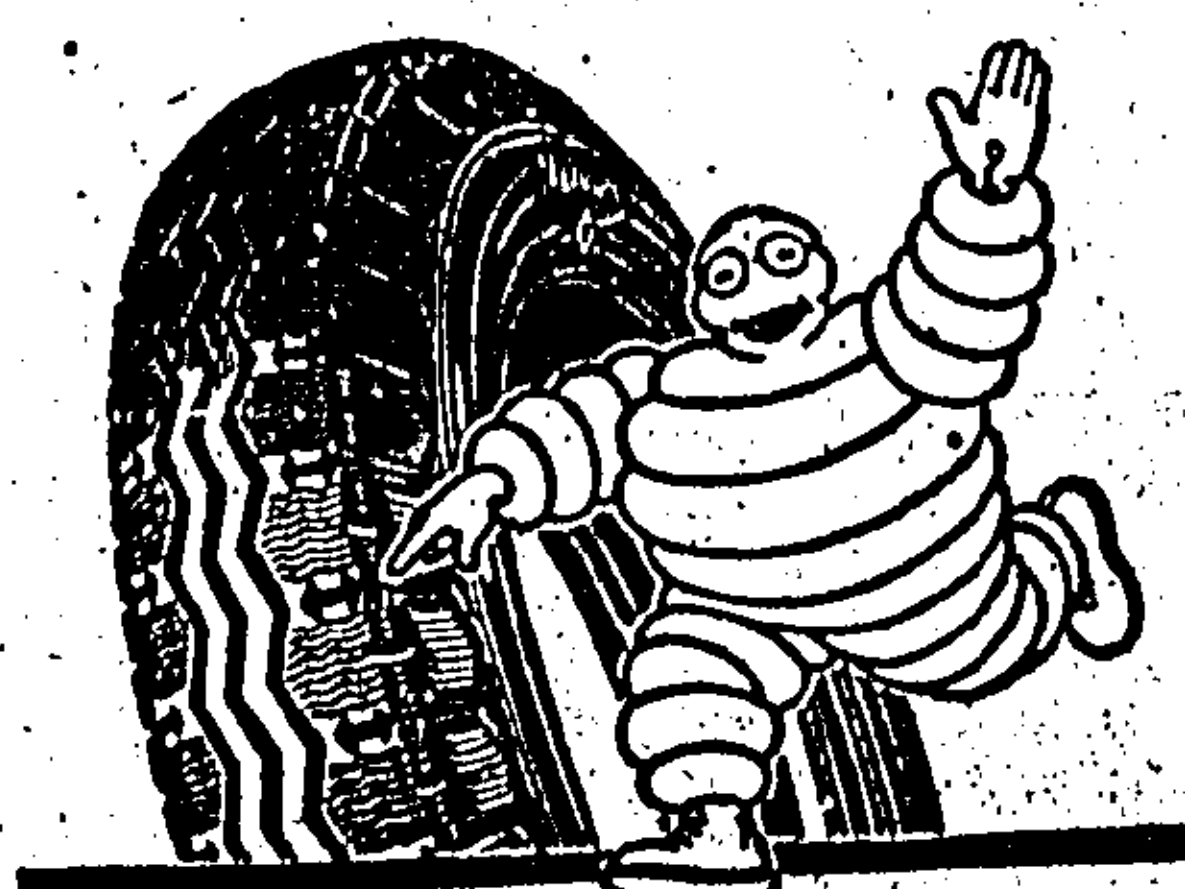


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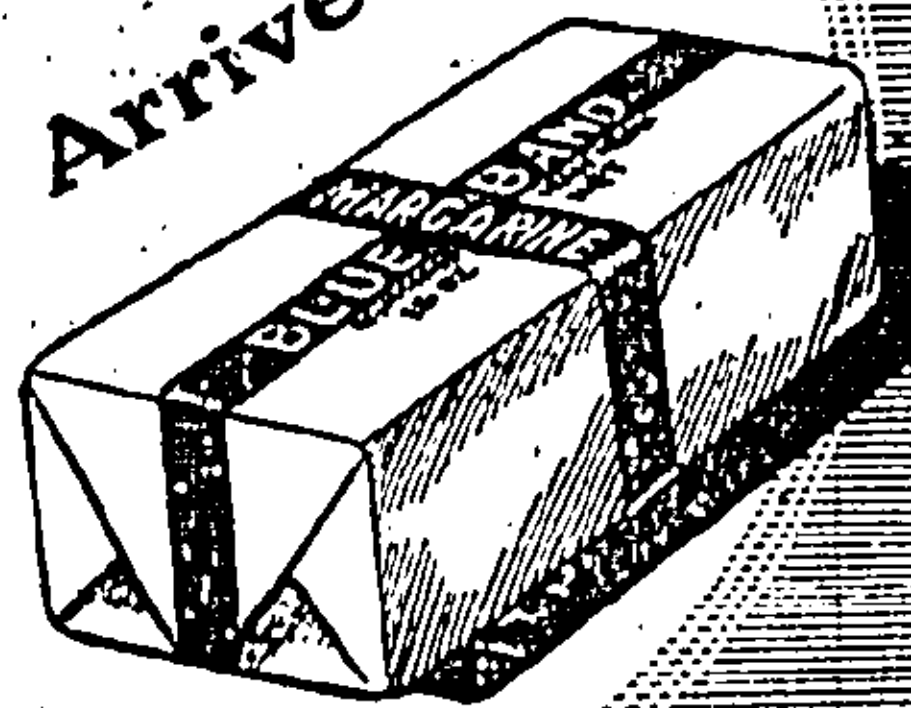
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THE SIGNORA PROTESTED IN VAIN

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Our Roving Reporter—
at Gorizia, trouble-
spot on the Yugoslav
frontier

I have come back here to Gorizia, after an interval of nine months, to discover what has become of the Signora Bianchi. The last time I saw Signora Bianchi she was standing pathetically under the vine in her front garden protesting to some stony-faced Yugoslav soldiers who were unrolling the Iron Curtain across her front doorstep.

She was Italian. Her husband was an Italian—a wrought-iron worker who had left that morning for his shop in Gorizia and would return to find that his house was in Yugoslavia.

As from that morning the Bianchis would have belonged to their capital city, they would use their address of lire for money, their address would be changed from Gorizia to San Pietro (the little village on the outskirts of the town), they would be Yugoslavs speaking Slovene and owing their allegiance to Tito.

Signora Bianchi, having protested in vain that the barbed wire frontier should be laid just a few yards to the east—leaving her house in her native land—just stood there limply, helplessly, hopelessly—not knowing what to do next.

Down in the town it was a tranquil summer afternoon. The Gorizians were bicycling slowly along or sitting at the outdoor cafe tables of the Cafe Garibaldi eating ices.

But less than ten minutes' walk away, down a side street which led to San Pietro, this tranquillity was suddenly replaced by an indelible tension.

There—a hundred yards ahead—was the familiar striped pole across the road. A group of Italian guards in grey uniforms stood about with shouldered rifles—uncommunicative even with each other.

A young workboy crossed on his bicycle. He started to whistle, but stopped in mid-phrase as he passed from one country to the other. (Inhabitants of the "Free Territory" are allowed with special permits to pass easily from the Allied Zone A to the Yugoslav Zone B.)

The Yugoslav guard on the other side—a gloomy young man in a baggy Slav uniform—let him pass with a brief glance at his permit and continued to kick aimlessly at the stones beside the road. He seemed even to have grown bored with watching the

workmen who were constructing a new red brick frontier guard-room. He looked as if he wanted someone to talk to.

The Guards

Not 20 yards away were the Italian guards, but they didn't speak his language—or did not want to. They were staring at him—at Yugoslavia—wondering, no doubt, if the new Stalin-Tito split would have any repercussions—would affect the relations between the two guard posts.

I managed to discover that Signora Bianchi was still in Gorizia. His iron shop was in a wide suburban road, and I was told I should recognise it by a stone Venetian lion lying above a large gateway.

Here, in a vaulted, shadowy workshop I found a gaunt man making an iron lamp-bracket.

"Could you tell me, please, what has become of Signor Giovanni Bianchi?"

Gaunt Man

The gaunt man led me into the yard and pointed with his hammer towards another workshop next door. "He works there," he said, and went moodily back to his work. On the door of the other workshop hung a notice written in chalk on the back of a cardboard box: "Out—back Wednesday."

A dog, which had been sleeping in the sun, woke and began barking. A woman looked out of a window across the yard: "Who do you want?" she demanded.

At the same time another woman in black alpaca came out on to a balcony. "Who do you want?" "Giovanni Bianchi—or his wife—if you know where I can find them."

"Oh!" said the woman on the balcony, turning rudely back into the house.

"He works over there," said the other woman and closed the shutters. The dog went on barking. I returned to the gaunt man.

"Excuse me, but Signor Bianchi seems to be away—could you

help me? I wish to know what has become of the family since they have been divided from Italy by the Iron Curtain..."

Only Rumours

The gaunt man reluctantly put down his hammer and lit a cigarette. "I hear rumours that the is awaiting documents to return to Italy. Some who were born in Gorizia were given the choice... He never returned, to his house since the day it became Yugoslavia... They say she will be allowed to bring her furniture. Her house—she will abandon—I suppose—I don't know—I only hear rumours. Giovanni Bianchi is my brother, but we don't speak. As Italy is divided from Yugoslavia—we are divided from each other. This was once upon a time a big workshop. But so—how I have put up a wall..."

The Quarrel

He pointed to a high partition roughly constructed from planks and sacking and hung from top to bottom with iron bedsteads, lampshades, bunches of keys, brackets—all the junk of the iron worker's trade.

"That is our frontier," he said. "What was the quarrel?"

"I don't know. Just don't like him. We never have liked each other. We don't seem to speak the same language. It's never been so much what he does as the way he does it..."

"But dividing yourselves in this way—how did you divide your tools—your customers?"

"Ah, that's just it. There remain many things to which we both lay claim. This hammer, for instance. It belonged to my father. My brother says because it is the older it is righter. I say I have always worked with this hammer so it is mine..."

The dog went on barking till I went away. A bitter little moral lurks in the shadows of that Gorizian workshop and I wished I had not recognised it.

WORKERS SUPPORT ERP

London, July 30.

Forty-five delegates representing workers' organisations in 18 countries concerned in the European Recovery Programme ended their two days' conference in London tonight by reaffirming their pledge to support the programme.

They decided that the programme depends for its success "upon the combined efforts of the millions of workers in all the countries concerned, including the United States."

The conference in its statement recognised "the existence of a fact that E.R.P. funds may be used to re-establish the position of old industrial dynasties such as that of Krupp and the chemical combines in Germany, instead of being unleashed wholly for the reconstruction of the European economy in conformity with the wishes and aspirations of the peoples of Europe and thus ensure them a fuller and more abundant life."—Reuter.

THE MIND OF A RUSSIAN

—An Explanation To Help You Understand The Crisis

By Victor
Kravchenko

AUTHOR OF "I
CHOSE FREEDOM"
IN AN INTERVIEW
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PARSONS

Q. People are completely puzzled about the present behaviour of the Soviet Government, which seems unreasonable to the point of being senseless. What are the reasons for this?

KRAVCHENKO: To understand Soviet actions you must always keep in mind that the Kremlin considers it can cope with any country in the world when conditions make it worth its while to do so, but that this apparent friendliness from time to time doesn't indicate its real intentions.

The Kremlin never abandons the idea of world revolution, of the liquidation of the Western way of life and the establishment of Governments in other countries which fit its ideas and are formed in its own image. This policy is carried on with ever-changing means and methods.

The Kremlin alters its tactics for political reasons, but its strategy remains constant. Whatever protestations the Kremlin may make to the Western Powers, they cannot be taken in earnest until it stops teaching its own people to hate the Western world and until it ceases to believe that it is impossible for a so-called Communist system and capitalist systems to exist peacefully in one world.

The Politburo is at this moment working for the world revolution in which it believes. Soviet policy is actually the creation of political, economic, strategic, and human reserves for the conflict it believes to be inevitable.

Q. How do these reasons apply to what has happened in Berlin?

KRAVCHENKO: By its struggle to throw the Allies out of Berlin the Kremlin hopes to create a future capital for what it intends shall one day be a key satellite.

The Kremlin knows very well that its prestige is now at stake, but I do not believe that it will take the struggle to the point of open conflict with its former Allies.

If it cannot force the Western Allies out of Berlin it will organise its part of Germany into another city—say, Leipzig—as capital. Then I will carry on a forcible struggle to incite all the Soviet part of Germany against the Allies and other zones.

Q. How would you say the present situation looks to the Russian man in the street?

KRAVCHENKO: The Russian people made tremendous sacrifices during the war, and they don't want another one. Nor do they want the Politburo to take actions which might lead to war. The Russian soldier went into battle willingly because he wanted to free his own country and other countries from German tyranny. He certainly did not fight for the idea of world revolution.

During the war the Russians hoped that more freedom—that is, less police terror—and a better standard of living would follow victory.

None of this came to pass, and the Russians see no hope of it in the future. On the contrary, they see their Government is preparing for a new war at the expense of a worsening of the conditions of living.

I believe that a good proportion of the Russian people cannot

fail to understand why the Soviet propaganda now incites them against their former Allies.

The Politburo well understands the mood of the people and for this reason is taking the severest measures in every way and with all its power to wipe out from the minds of the people the sympathy and friendship which they felt towards their war-time Allies.

The aims of the West towards a post-Soviet Russia should be made absolutely clear and repeated in every possible way.

We should tell the Russian people constantly that we have no ambitions against their sovereignty or independence, and that the Western Powers would never attempt to restore pre-revolutionary conditions politically, socially, or economically.

During the war the Soviet Government told the people that the first thing the Germans would do would be to re-establish monarchy, capitalism, and landlordism in Russia. Many believed this.

The Russian people today want to get rid of police state tyranny, but they don't want to see capitalism and landlordism and Czarism restored.

They want to make Russia a truly free and democratic country.

Q. What has brought about the present state of mind of the Russian people?

KRAVCHENKO: In Russian schools and colleges political lessons are just as much an integral part of education as mathematics in Britain. The Soviet Press, radio, literature, films, and even music repeat and drum in Communist dogma.

Life in the factories, offices, villages, collective farms, and army includes a tremendous system of political schools and courses. Youth and party organisations hammer away at the Communist dogma. It is forced down every citizen's throat.

When you consider that the ordinary citizen in his business and family life hears only one side of all questions you will realise how much mental pressure there is on him to follow the party line. But despite this and the tremendous police machine, millions of people in Russia are against the regime and millions are in prisons and concentration camps for one or another form of opposition to it.

Q. To what extent are Russians so convinced that the Communist Government is right that they will give them unreserved support even if Soviet policy leads to war?

KRAVCHENKO: Those who are convinced that the Com-

munist Government is right are members of the Party, youth organisations, those in privileged positions or those who have derived from the regime benefits such as a university education or an army commission.

But the rest of the people don't believe in the rightness of the Soviet regime, aren't inwardly in accord with it, and regard it as their enemy and tyrant.

In the last war Hitler's Germany was the enemy. In another war the opponents would be citizens of the democracies, and the Russians would be asking themselves why they should fight, against what, and even more important, for what?

I do not believe that in a future conflict the Russian people would believe the Soviet regime, because after the war it failed to give the people anything.

Q. What do you consider we can expect the Soviet leaders to do in the immediate future?

KRAVCHENKO: The Soviet leaders will continue the war of nerves, blackmailing tactics outside their borders, provocations, and sabotage of the activities of the United Nations. They will continue to try to cause a cleavage between Britain, France, and America to enable the people of the world against the Western Powers, to emphasise and exploit the contradictions in political and social conditions found nearly everywhere in the world today.

But they will avoid bringing about an open conflict for which they are not prepared, psychologically or materially, either in their own country or in the satellites.

These continual displays of provocation and force are put on as a show of strength.

Q. On what principles should Britain and the other Western Powers work in their dealings with Moscow?

KRAVCHENKO: First, they must understand clearly the aims of the Politburo and the aims of its policies.

Second, in no circumstances should they show the slightest weakness in any way. In particular they should make no compromise which might lower their prestige.

Third, they must not give the Kremlin any chance to destroy the unity of America, France, and Britain.

Fourth, to prevent Soviet aggression and keep a tight rein on the Kremlin, the Western Powers must make themselves so strong that the Politburo will see that it faces superior force.

Everywhere the Western Powers must have allies among peoples and not merely among Governments.

Too Much Steel For China?

Washington, July 20.

Republican Senator Robert Taft of Ohio told the Senate today he believed the United States "should ration steel for export to South America and China before we ration it to producers in the United States."

Asked whether he believed exports to South America and China were responsible for price increases, Senator Taft replied that he did not. He said cutting exports would not reduce prices, because demand within the United States would absorb all supplies available, but the additional supply here would increase the price manufactured from steel.

Senator Taft said he favoured curtailment of expenditures for the Government programme "all along the line," including the Economic Cooperation Administration, and he thought the President should curtail expenditures wherever possible within present appropriations.

He added that the President had authority to reduce exports of steel and other scarce items without additional Congressional action.—United Press.

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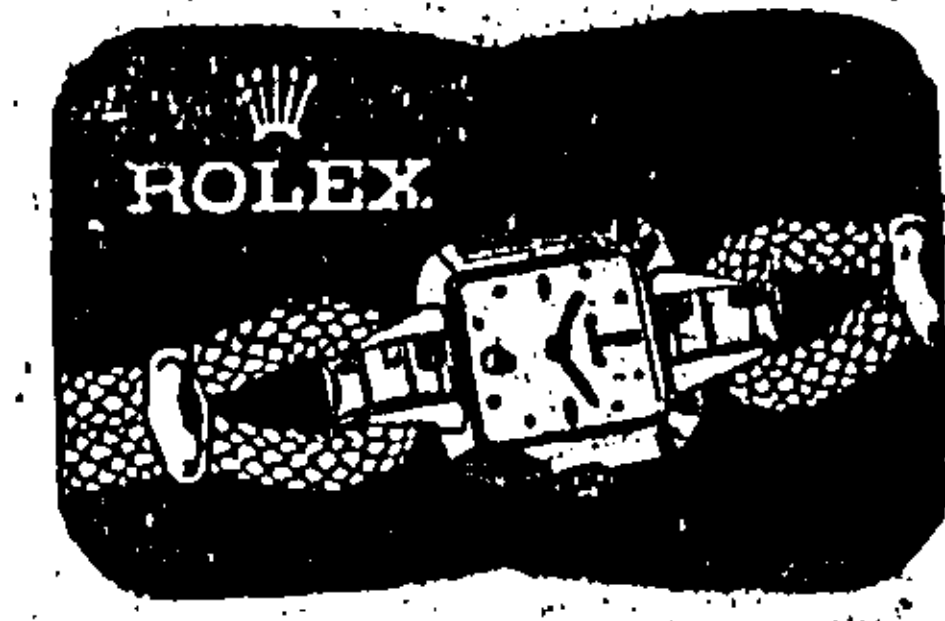
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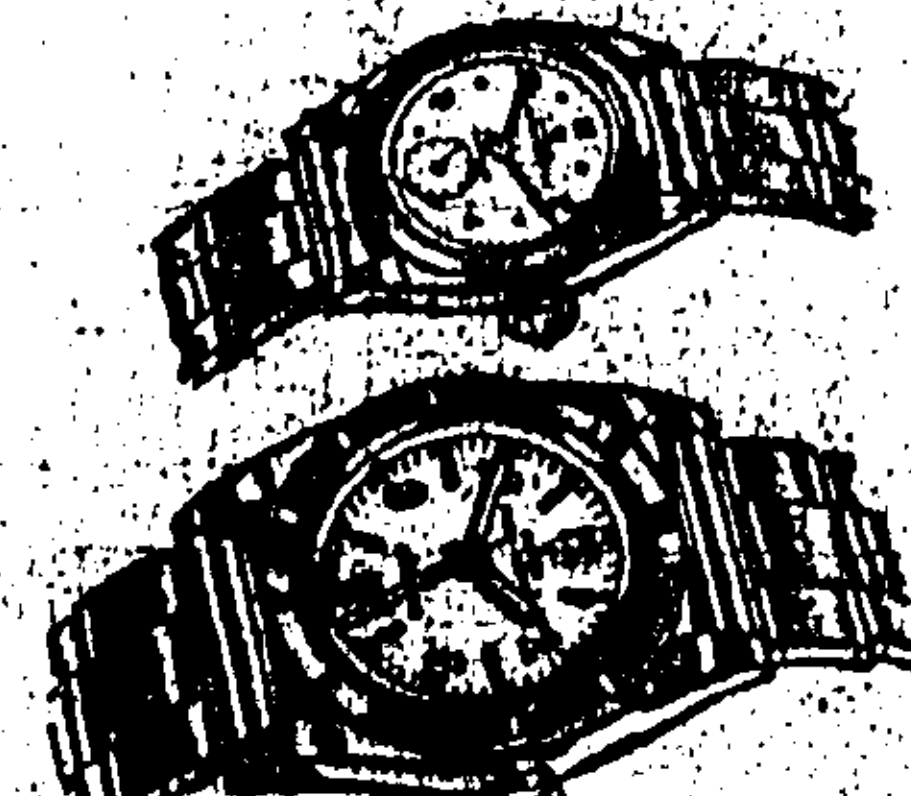
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ATTLEE AND CHURCHILL CLASH IN PARLIAMENT STORMY WORDS ON FLOOR OF HOUSE

London, July 30.
The Hyderabad debate in Parliament today involved the biggest personal clash between the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Opposition leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, since the Labour Government assumed power.

Mr. Attlee, whose exchanges with Mr. Churchill are normally urbane, flung across the floor of the House of Commons fierce criticisms that drew biting strictures from Mr. Churchill in return.

Both statesmen were evidently suppressing deep feeling over the subject under debate and it came to the surface in periodic bursts of stormy words.

Mr. Attlee displayed what, for him, is unusual vehemence, and his voice, sometimes difficult to catch, rang out clearly across the Chamber.

The earlier part of the debate, including Mr. Churchill's speech, was kept on a reasonably open tenor, but it was clear that the Opposition leader's speech, with its closing strictures, had provoked the Prime Minister to strong retaliation.

He opened on a note of personal challenge to Mr. Churchill that ran right through his speech and closed on an indictment of the Opposition leader that came near to open anger.

In a heated two-hour debate, climaxed by an unprecedented bitter exchange with Mr. Churchill, the Prime Minister charged the Opposition leader with generally starting with a preconceived opinion "that everything the Hindus do is wrong."

"Shameful"

Mr. Churchill retorted that he could not allow that to pass unchallenged. "It is a shameful statement to have made. He has made it in the hope of raising antagonism with the vast millions of people in India."

Amid uproar, Mr. Churchill's supporters loudly demanded a withdrawal of Mr. Attlee's charge.

The Prime Minister, however, maintained that Mr. Churchill, in this matter, "invariably" selected his facts from only one side. It was unfortunate, he said, that when Mr. Churchill spoke of Indian affairs, he did not seem to do anything either to reconcile the conflicting parties in India or to draw closer the bonds between India and Pakistan and the rest of the Commonwealth.

Other Opposition leaders had "a much broader and wider view." He knew of Conservatives with a life-long knowledge of India who were unanimous on one thing—they deplored Mr. Churchill's intervention on Indian problems.

Political quarters considered the exchange the biggest personal clash the Prime Minister and Mr. Churchill have yet had.

"Act Of Shame"

Mr. Churchill charged the Government with breaking pledges to Hyderabad that it would be entitled to independence on the transfer of power to the two Dominions of India and Pakistan.

Ministers had a "personal obligation which affects their honour and good faith not to allow a State which they have declared as of sovereign independent status to be strangled, stifled, starved out, or overborne by violence," Mr. Churchill stated.

They should not allow that to happen and say it was nothing to do with them. That would be an "act of shame for which their names would be burdened for generations by people who might not otherwise have paid attention to them."

Mr. Churchill urged the Prime Minister to assist Hyderabad to bring its case before the United Nations. He suggested that Hyderabad should have a plebiscite under the United Nations.

Mr. Attlee refuted the argument that the Government had broken its pledges, maintaining

that it had no status to interfere with the affairs of the new independent Dominions.

As for the plebiscite, the Indian Government had already agreed to one on the basis of adult franchise, supervised by an independent body.

Whether it should be under the United Nations or not was for the Indian Government to decide, Mr. Attlee declared.

Before the debate started, the Speaker of the House of Commons, Mr. Douglas Clifton, ruled against Mr. Attlee's view that the debate should be restricted.

—Reuter.

NEWS STRIKE IN MANCHESTER

Manchester, July 30.

The first major strike in Britain's newspaper industry since the General Strike of 1926 was declared here today after a wages dispute between the Typographical Association and the managements of London newspapers published in Manchester.

The Newspaper Proprietors Association issued this statement tonight:

"A meeting held in Manchester this morning failed to arrive at any settlement, and in consequence there will be no publication of the northern editions of the following on and from Aug. 1: Sunday Express, Daily Mail, Sunday Dispatch, Daily Express, Daily Herald, the People, News of the World, and the News Chronicle."

The editions of these papers published in London are not affected.

The dispute arose from a request by the Typographical Association, Manchester, for a 20 shillings a week increase for morning paper compositors, linotype operators, retary machine minders and readers at four Manchester newspaper offices.

About 300 men will be affected. Work stopped today on Sunday newspapers.

MONTY'S BROTHER A CANON

Toronto, July 30.

The Reverend Colin Montgomery, younger brother of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, has accepted the appointment of Pastor of Aklavik and Canon of the diocese of the Arctic, the Bishop of the Arctic, Rt. Rev. A. L. Fleming announced here.

Mr. Montgomery is at present vicar of Lady Smith, South Africa. He and his wife are expected to arrive in Canada in November.

The diocese of the Arctic is one of the largest in the world. It comprises 1,204,097 square miles and has a population of about 10,000. It includes all the islands of Canada lying to the north and that portion of the mainland between the Arctic Ocean and the Arctic Circle. The western boundary is the Yukon and the eastern Hudson's Bay.

—Associated Press.

"Danger" In Seychelles

London, July 30.

A Conservative Member of Parliament, Mr. L. D. Gammon, warned in the House of Commons today of what he called a potentially dangerous situation in the Seychelles Islands.

He alleged that the acting Attorney General in the islands, Mr. Collett, had adopted "high-handed" methods in collecting income tax, and suggested that an independent committee of inquiry should investigate.

—Reuter.

ITALY'S CLAIM TO COLONIES

London, July 30.

Italy today renewed her claim for trusteeship of her former African colonies.

The Italian Ambassador in London, Duke Tommaso Gallarati-Scotti, presented his country's views on the recently published reports of the four-power committee of investigation to the Italian Deputies conference in London today.

Duke Scotti pointed out that the reports on Eritrea, Somalia and Libya showed broad agreement that none of these former colonies was yet ready for independence and self-government.

"The Commission has recognized that there exists in Libya, Eritrea, and Somalia the de facto pre-requisites for a trusteeship and the work accomplished by Italy is a valid title for conferring such a trusteeship on Italy," he said.

—Reuter.

CAMBODIAN KING BACK

Salon, July 30.

King Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia, French Indo-China, said on his return here from France today that the French Government had assured him that Cambodia would have the same status as the Vietnam Republic.

He had asked for the title "Associated State" to be replaced by "Independent State"—the term applied to Vietnam—and the French Government had assured him this would be amended in the French Cambodian agreement.

Asked whether he foresaw any "difficulties," the King said: "I do not think they will come from the French side, but rather from the Vietnamese whose Government does not represent the entire nation."

London, July 31.
Mikos Paparigas, Secretary General of the Greek Confederation of Labour, has been arrested, according to the "Free Greek" radio today.

ELEVEN NATIONS TO DISCUSS DANUBE

Belgrade, July 30.

The Yugoslav Foreign Minister, Mr. Simic, opening the 11-nation Danube Conference today, declared that no international agreement in the past had prevented the Danube from being used for aggression against the countries through which it flowed.

Mr. Simic said Yugoslavia had made all efforts to ensure peace on its own sector of the Danube in a way which would be advantageous to this great international waterway.

"The people's democracies, headed by the great Soviet Union, now hold the most important and the widest section of the Danube and thus can contribute to it becoming a thoroughfare of peace and a highway for the exchange of goods."

"The Yugoslav Government wishes to see the results of the labours of this conference give yet another proof of the possibility of international collaboration among countries having widely differing economic systems, and show also it is possible to co-ordinate the different interests of the Danube states."

After declaring the Conference open, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister proposed that it should be presided over in rotation by the Heads of all the delegations in alphabetical order and that Russian and French should be the official languages.

The Conference is meeting to rewrite the provisions of the pre-war International Danube Commission.

Closely Guarded

The Conference members are Britain, France, Russia, the United States, Yugoslavia, Rumania, the Ukraine, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria. Austria is attending as an observer.

The Koleratz People's University building, in which the conference is being held is completely isolated from the rest of Belgrade.

All the approaches to the building were closed to the public several hours before the session was due to open. Armed militia wearing blue uniforms and blue face and arm caps, directed traffic and pedestrians along routes which took them away from the building over

which hung the flags of the 11 nations represented.

The last to appear were the Russians and the American delegations. — Reuter and United Press.

German Cardinal On Peace

Lourdes, July 30.

Before leaving Lourdes where he arrived with 685 German pilgrims, the German Cardinal Fringe declared today: "We came to Lourdes to shake the peaceful hand held out to us and to pray, in common with other countries, that the threatened war might be staved off, and also to ask for the peace of Christ."

Addressing a meeting of French and foreign journalists, Cardinal Fringe stated that the two best means of ensuring peace at the present time were prayer and the press.

"We were unfortunate enough in Germany to have a man who headed the press and who sacrificed the German people to his own ambitions," he said. "The press should also guide the Russian people, who have a great future. Let us pray to obtain the grace of its spiritual revival." He concluded. — Agence France-Press.

MANILA MURDER

Manila, July 31.

Federico D. Jaynario, 28, field supervisor of the Philippine-American Life Insurance Company, has been found dead—shot in the back with a .25 calibre pistol—near Quizon Boulevard Bridge, Quizon City.

The motive for the shooting apparently was robbery. — United Press.

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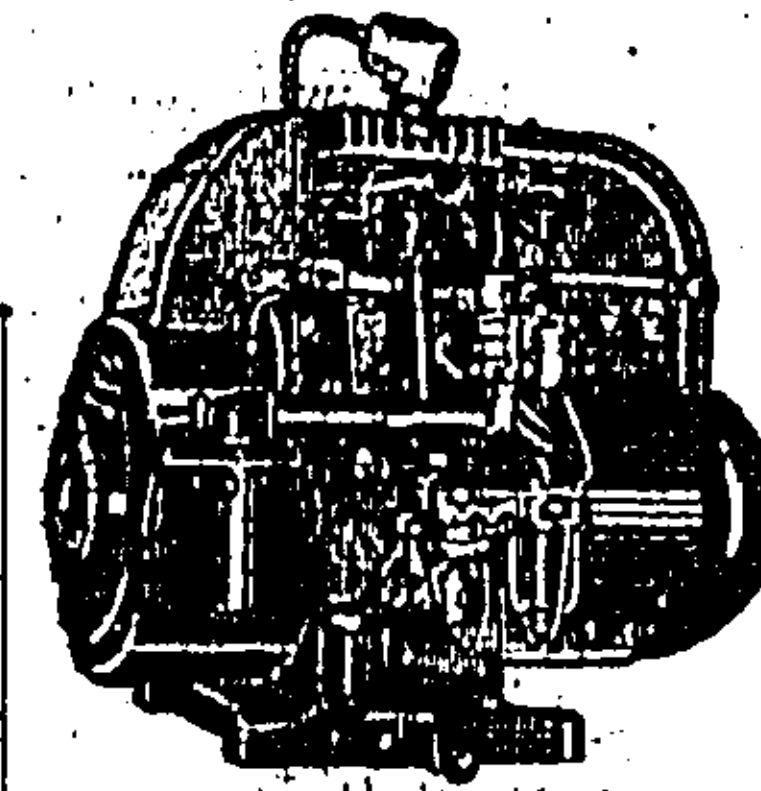
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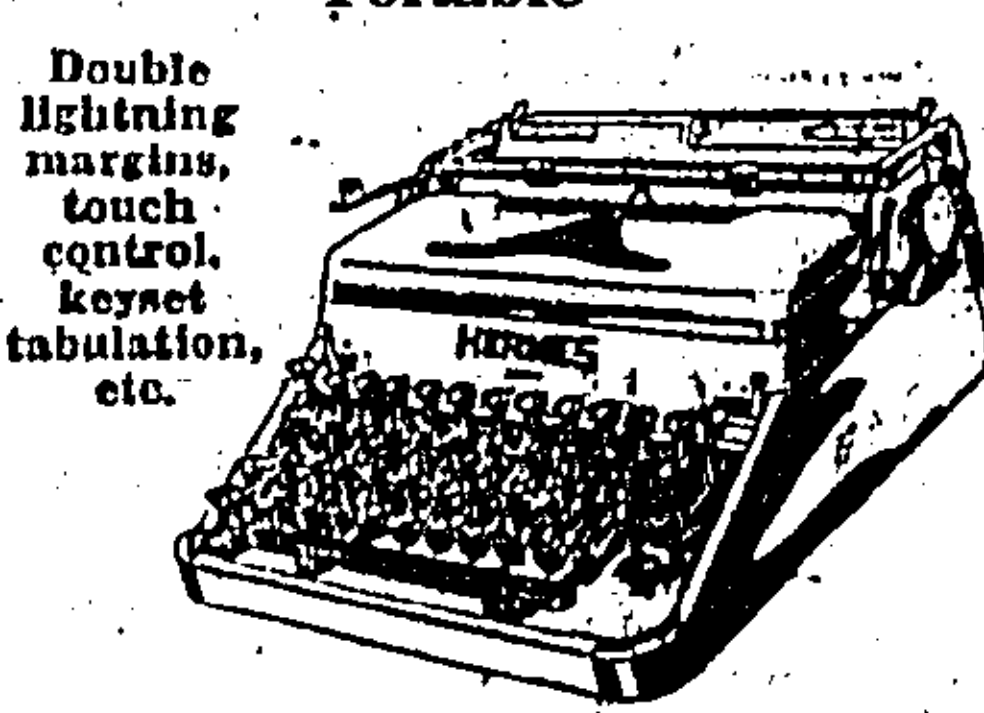
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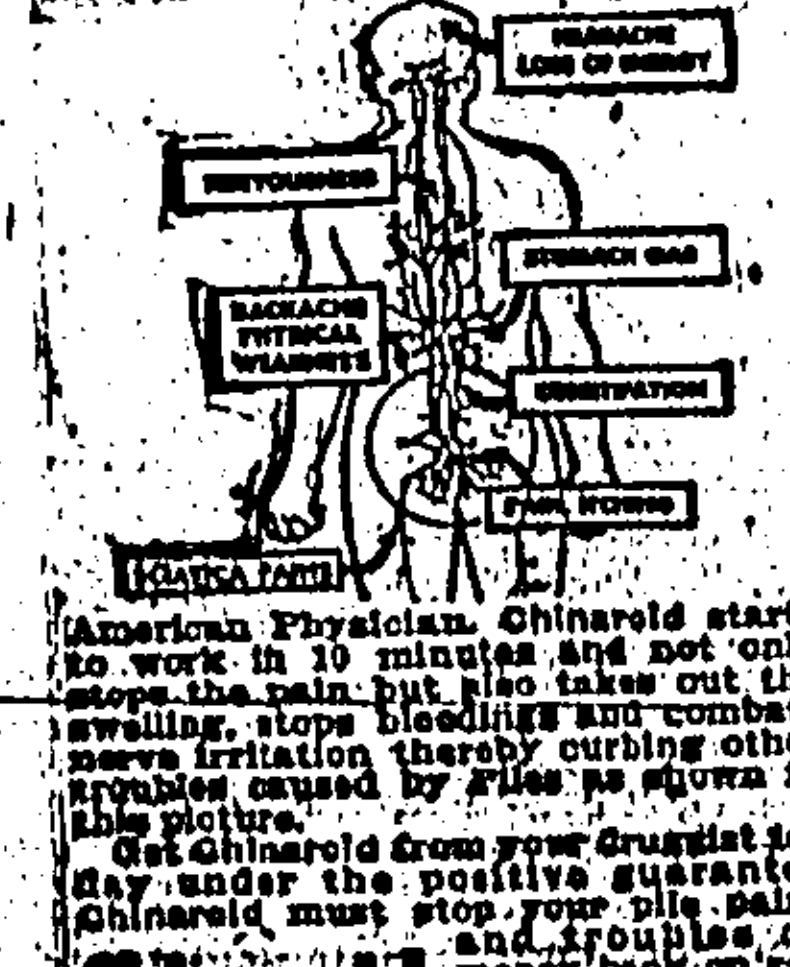
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A High Requiem Mass will be offered at St. Theresa's Church Kowloon on Tuesday, August 3rd, 1948 at 7.30 A.M. for the souls of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. STEWART.

HOTEL CHARGES

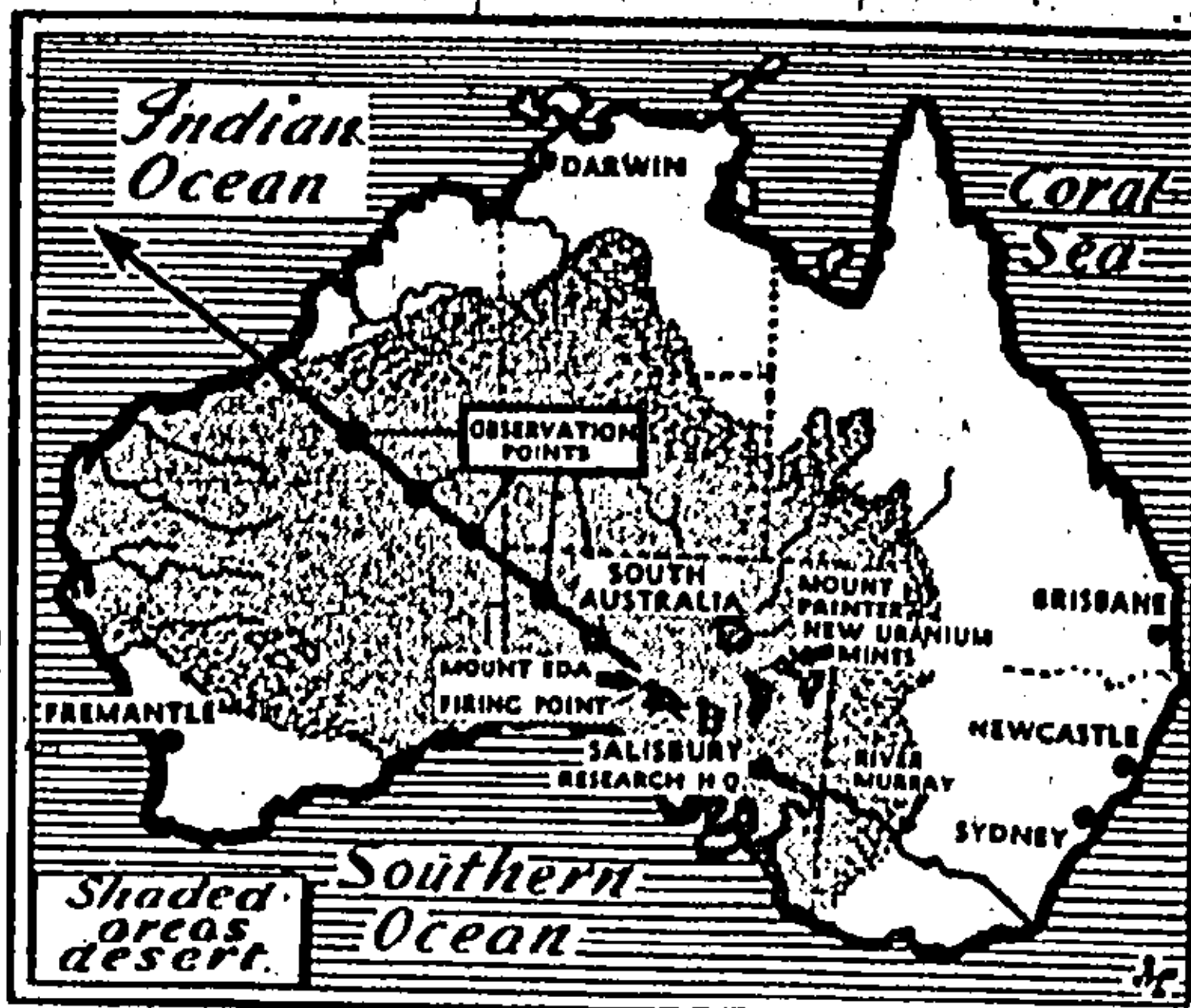
No complete verdict on the rather startling slashes in rates demanded of the hotels can be given until the various managements have had an opportunity of saying their piece. On the general principle, the Government's move will be generously applauded; and the government's own monthly commitments to various hotels are heavy enough to persuade them that it is worth while to stick to their guns. The cuts are, nevertheless, drastic. In no case is the reduction less than about 33 per cent. Some of the hotels have had their charges cut down to a third or less of the rates they have been accustomed to collect in the past months. As might be expected, the cuts that are most severe are also the most justified. Profiteering in several cases has exceeded all bounds, and has been additionally reprehensible because it is not merely a question of capitalising on the housing shortage; for many persons it has meant a very real strain amounting to distress. The figures published by the Quinquennial Authority give no definite clue to the nature of the yardstick employed in fixing the official rates, beyond the relatively minor point that the furniture and services provided have been taken into consideration. Very clearly, however, no special distinction has been drawn between what would normally be regarded as hotels for transients, and the boardinghouse type of private hotel which exists largely for the permanent resident. Whether any logical scheme could be worked out to permit of such distinctions, without leaving enormous loopholes for evasion of the sound underlying purpose of the creation of control, is a matter for experts. A powerful case could be made out for insistence upon a tariff including monthly rates, as against endorsement of the daily rate basis which has been the principal cause of the general evil. We cannot imagine for a moment that the hotel managements will be content to leave matters where they stand with the publication of the official list of prices. But neither can it be expected that there will be any important surrender of the position that hotel residents have been milked excessively for far too long. The Quinquennial Authority is to be congratulated upon an excellent efficient job. He has had to cover an enormous amount of ground in a remarkably short time. For that reason, the final result may, where good cause can be shown, be modified to some extent. But the amount of work that has gone into the preparation of the lists suggests sound reasons for most of the decisions reached. Arguments, therefore, will have to be very convincing—or a satisfactory variant will have to be provided—before Government is likely to consent to any substantial modifications.

NO CAUSE FOR REGRET

Chicago, July 30. General Douglas MacArthur informed his political followers today that there is "no cause for regret" over his failure to win the Republican nomination. Warren Wright, Chicago banker, who helped organize the MacArthur for President movement, said that General MacArthur had written "highly extending" letters of thanks for his support "against odds of which I was at all times fully conscious." United Press.

Spy Ring Threatens Our Secret Arsenal

In Australia today, where atomic age weapons are being evolved, wartime security has been re-introduced.



The work can be divided into three main classes:

1. Research and laboratory experiments in physics, chemistry, engineering, etc;
2. Construction of a large variety of new weapons ranging from super-sonic planes and jet engines to sensitive radio-detection equipment; and
3. Testing rockets, planes and other projectiles inside the South Australian rocket range laid out on the glaring red desert country of South Australia.

Eventually, in testing inter-continental weapons, it is believed they will be fired from the Indian Ocean some 1,000 miles into the rocket range area at the other side of this 3,000,000 square-miles continent.

Necessary secrecy prevents any observer from learning overmuch detail or publishing what he learns, but it is possible to indicate an outline of the work in all three classifications.

The heart of the research and experimental project will be the Salisbury factories outside Adelaide. This is really a fabulous place—a whole town of British scientists devoted to the Commonwealth scientific warfare. The Salisbury laboratories and factories have an area equal to a good-sized English provincial town, with tens of miles of internal roads, hundreds of miles of electric mains.

Hundreds of Scientists Are Being Trained

Here, British and Australian scientists have taken over the long-range weapons where the Germans finished.

Refinements of this, understood to be under consideration, now include a jet-propelled long-range projectile guided in flight. It could actually be land-locked accurately at a vital target after the ocean crossing-carrying an atomic warhead.

Hundreds of Australian scientists have already begun to leave here for Britain for training and they will return with hundreds—probably thousands—of British scientists and technicians to Salisbury and other centres.

Simultaneously, as part of the scientific war project, some Australian universities have undertaken pure physical and atomic research and it has been proposed to build a powerful uranium pile.

It is significant that the South Australian Premier, Mr. Playford, returned to Adelaide this week after inspection of the new uranium mines at Mount Painter, declaring that further exploratory mining has been ordered as the outlook is promising there.

Australian laboratories will also handle some research into new-type super-sonic jet planes. Probably the most vital and must secret development, however, is the reported investigation of a method of protecting Britain from attack by rockets or jet projectiles carrying atomic warheads.

These are the nightmare of Britain's defence chiefs. It is widely rumoured this week that a system of radar detection coupled with jet or rocket projectile interception is being tested out here. The importance of this line of research cannot be over-estimated. The rocket-testing range in the desert is now one of the world's most secret places.

Technicians are down there so that they cannot be followed and construction chiefs go personally to Canberra to deliver verbal progress reports which cannot be copied or stolen.

The big thing to remember is that it is a permanent investment in British security—a pipeline is now being built to a range-head 120 miles over the dry red country from the River Murray and a special railway line is being built to the range-head.

Permanent dwellings with a medical school and recreational facilities are being built for the technicians and their families.

Spies Will Have To Work Hard For Their Money

Aeroplane runways more than five miles long are being constructed, plus laboratories and series of vitally important observation posts equipped with secret scientific instruments will be placed at intervals on the vast empty desert on a line running towards the Indian Ocean.

Before the projectiles are fired scientists will take up their lonely vigils here and trace the path of the projectiles.

If reports here are correct, these men may one day save British towns, as they will learn the exact methods of long-range detection of flying atomic bombs and the methods of their interception and harmless destruction above the earth's atmosphere.

General Evatt's birds and all other scientific developments here are becoming important in the world military picture. That is why it is a pretty good supposition that there are a lot more to come. That is why Foreign Minister Evatt called his security forces into conference behind closed doors.

TERRORISM COMES TO MALAYA

The Malayan terrorist outbreak now entering its twelfth week, has brought to a head a situation which has been simmering ever since the Eastern liberation. How has this situation arisen? Where do the faults lie. And how can they be remedied?

To a certain extent, the faults lie on both sides. Two years ago it became apparent that, though unrest in Malaya was a forerunner of more serious trouble to come.

Since the end of the war, for example, the Singapore docks have been paralysed by a series of strikes. Ships of all nations with valuable cargo were lying in the Roads of Singapore Island for days while the labourers' unions bickered and fought over conditions which had certainly improved greatly on pre-war British or Japanese standards.

One strike which started when a Punjabi constable in the docks police opened fire on a threatening mob of coolies, killing one Indian wounding another, developed into a great nationalistic demonstration on the burial day of the dead man.

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The Indian fellow workers organized a big anti-British "Quit India" parade; his Japanese comrades marched along with the slogan of "Merdeka" (Freedom) and shouted for the Dutch to clear out of the Netherlands East Indies; the Chinese, with no foreign target to centre upon, immediately split up into two bodies, pro- and anti-Chiang Kai Shek, and set off with great display.

There were many incidents during this funeral procession and the original issue seemed to be forgotten by all concerned. The truth was that workers now had strong unions, but were not mature enough to use them properly. In point of fact, the unions used the men, because these demonstrations were staged by them to show their strength and try to force the employers' hands.

If firmer action had been taken by the British at the beginning, there would not have been nearly so much unrest. Incidentally there were no strikes during the occupation as the Japanese brutally put a stop to them by picking out the ring-leaders, beheading them, and leaving the heads around as a reminder to their workmates.

"Chinese are the troublesome element in Malaya; they form the bulk of the Communists, not so much because of their political convictions but because of their huge population strength."

Another check would be the restriction of immigration into Malaya and Singapore, as even now it is impossible to get a completely accurate census of the population.

But the greatest factor in wiping out terrorism would be for the troops to take part in more patrols up country to make friendly visits to outlying villages and prestige visits to local headmen.

In this way knowledge might be gained of the hidden arms dumps, but apart from that, valuable knowledge would be gained in jungle warfare—in which our troops were sadly lacking in 1941.

But for this, the Malaya garrison would have to be strengthened and here Australia and New Zealand could play their part by supplying some troops and material.

After all, Malaya is one of the bulwarks of their defence and they would be the first to suffer if Malaya were to fall prey to the Reds. This programme would mean more men and more money, but in the long run it would prove worth while, for Malaya—with its vast mineral resources—is Britain's greatest export asset and truly "the Dollar Arsenal."

THE RHYTHM OF AGGRESSION

All the elder people among us have been through two world wars and three world-war crises—1914, 1938, 1939; and the more thoughtful observers must have noticed a series of parallels between their stages, a sort of rhythm, in the way the crises came about.

Britain was brought into the 1914 war on August 4 and into the 1938 war on September 3; the date of Munich (the end of about a fortnight's acute war-crisis in 1938) was September 29. Each of these things happened because an aggressor State had planned war for that season.

Notice that in each case Britain became involved, not because somebody declared war on her, but because she declared war on somebody. In 1938, at Munich the effect of the agreement was not that Hitler should refrain from fighting us, but that we should refrain from fighting Hitler. Yet the fact that Britain declared war did not mean that Britain was in any sense the aggressor. It meant that the aggressor in devising a cause belli had carefully so arranged it that for us to fight was the only alternative to a disastrous capitulation.

Notice again that in each case the aggressor did not suddenly turn from angel to devil, but had long been distinguishing himself by contempt for the comity of nations. Who spotted the internationalism at the Hague, if not Hohenzollern Germany? Who sabotaged it at Geneva, if not

Hitler? From whose lips, if not from theirs, flowed the lying propaganda of envy and hatred, based on the creed of materialism and the gospel that progress comes through war?

Notice, lastly, the perpetual dilemma, in which the pacifists found themselves between their fear of provoking attack and their fear of encouraging

By SCRUTATOR

ing it. Generally the former fear prevailed. They sincerely desired peace, and they remembered the proverb that it takes two to make a quarrel. Accordingly they favoured turning the other cheek—"appeasing," as we call it now. They clung to the convenient belief that the tiger was not really a man-eater. They hoped in various ways to develop his better nature—especially by trade-treaties. Any one who pointed out where his aggressions were leading was vilified as a warmonger.

They should "once recall those that should not be forgotten, these actions and reactions." Because history repeats itself, and the trouble-making aggressor of today, which is Soviet Russia, has reproduced every stage in its predecessors' careers except the last, i.e., war itself. With that exception, everything, from the motives and the most wicked must show whether war applies also. Note that the crisis itself has been timed entirely by the Rus-

slans, who could have blockaded Berlin just as easily at any earlier date; and note that it exactly falls to be terminated within that small part of the year in which planned wars by aggressors are normally launched. Deadlock can hardly be prolonged far into August, because the date of termination is fixed by the problem of supplying coal.

Food may be stockpiled out much longer by the airborne cargoes; though it must be remembered that the effort of doing so is costly, not only in money but in aircraft and pilots, who would be needed elsewhere. If war came, but coal stocks cannot to any great extent be replenished in the same way. And coal is essential, not only for heating, cooking and industry, but for other services indispensable in modern city life, e.g., sewage pumping.

When therefore the coal gives out a decision must be reached, and that decision must be either that we leave Berlin or that the Russians lift the blockade, or that there is war. The Allied Note negatives the first course; the Russian Note negatives the second; and, if these negatives stand, war will come. It is not what the Russians have planned, they can easily avoid it. For when they imposed the blockade they alleged natural causes for closing each route—a bridge needed mending; there a road must be repaired; there

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Fortune Out Of Heroin

New York, July 30. A 100-pound French seaman, Lucien Ignaro, 45, was held today on narcotics charges and authorities said he had netted \$1,400,000 in three months by selling pure heroin.

Ignaro was alleged to be the number one operator in the smuggling of heroin from Mediterranean dope rings into this country. He appeared in court in blue denim pants and a cheap shirt.—Associated Press.

Slav Reds Answer Cominform

London, July 29. Marshal Tito, under fire from the Cominform, was elected Secretary General of the Communist Party of Yugoslavia at its annual convention in Belgrade today, the official Yugoslav news agency reported.

Marshal Tito had previously been re-elected to the Party's Central Committee along with 62 others.

Three of Marshal Tito's principal aides, Vice Premier Edvard Kardelj, Minister of Interior Alexander Rankovic and Milovan Djilas were named Secretaries.

It was an additional repudiation of the Russians and of the Cominform that in this most important Party organisation, which virtually governs the country, the Central Committee has placed at the head those four men whom the Cominform demanded to be removed from power.

Tanjut, in a broadcast recorded in London, said M. Kardelj, M. Djilas, M. Rankovic, Ivan Gornjak, M. Pajkovic, Boris Kidric, Philipovic, Neskovic and Franje Liskovic were elected members of the Party's Politburo. Vladimir Bakare, Djuro Pucan, Lazar Kolisevski and Svetozar Vukmanovic were selected as candidates for the Politburo.—Associated Press.

HARD TO SINK

Pearl Harbour, July 29. The battleship Nevada, radioactive survivor of atom bomb tests, was still afloat today after being used as a target in three days of secret-weapon tests.

Pacific Fleet Headquarters said the latest weapons only damaged the gallant warship superficially. The announcement said the Nevada was settling slightly, indicating that she is taking some water, but no list has yet developed.

If the Nevada is still afloat tomorrow, the battleship Iowa and three cruisers will train their big guns on her.—United Press.

RICE ON SALE IN BRITAIN

London, July 29. The Food Ministry announced today that a small quantity of rice—virtually unobtainable in Britain since the early days of the war—had been imported for general distribution.

Fixed retail sales price will be 9d. a pound.—Associated Press.



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Pessimistic Mood In Washington

Washington, July 30.

The United States, Britain and France were today reported ready to try to discuss the Berlin blockade directly with Marshal Josef Stalin.

There was no denial of that prospect in official quarters, following a report from the American Embassy in Moscow that the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Molotov, was "on vacation" and thus "not available" for critical discussions.

If Stalin also is unavailable, the view here is that Moscow must take full responsibility for whatever develops from the blockade.

Representatives of the Western powers sought talks with M. Molotov, to lay before him the new tri-power view on the blockade and ascertain the Soviet price for ending it. They were believed to be prepared to offer discussions on Berlin, on Germany and on other European problems if the Russians first would lift the blockade.

The United States was understood to favour approaching Stalin directly because the explosive possibilities of the situation were too alarming to trust to Foreign Office subordinates.

The State Department would not indicate whether it regarded M. Molotov's absence as a "brush-off." The Department press officer, Mr. Michael McDermott, reported that the Department had received a despatch from the American Ambassador, Mr. Walter Bedell Smith, which reported cryptically, "M. Molotov is on vacation."

Tension Increased

The despatch did not indicate whether attempts had been made to determine Stalin's whereabouts or when M. Molotov might return. Despite the obvious unwillingness of United States officials

to voice any opinion about the fact that M. Molotov's "holiday" will prevent him, for the time being, at least, to meet representatives of the Western Powers, it is felt in political and diplomatic circles here that it may well increase the present international tension.

Several explanations for M. Molotov's absence have been advanced. One of them is that the Kremlin was aware of the Western Allies' intentions to make concessions to Soviet views and that, therefore, the Russians decided to obtain more time to increase the number and quality of its assets before any quadripartite talks began.

Manpower Issue

A more optimistic view is that this delay could give M. Andrei Vishinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, now in Belgrade for the Danubian conference, an opportunity to contact the American delegation to the conference.

In London, Prime Minister Clement Attlee and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin met British Chiefs of Staff and are believed to have discussed with them the possible deterrent of releases from the Forces.

The final decision on this issue is expected to be delayed, however, until there is definite reaction from Moscow to the new moves to break the Berlin deadlock.—United Press, Agence France-Press and Reuter.

AMERICAN PLANES ON THE ALERT

Berlin, July 30.

High ranking officers at Munich said today that the United States' only real defence in Germany had been on the alert the past few days, prepared for "any eventuality."

The officers revealed that 30 bombers, 75 first line fighter craft and 16 jet fighter planes which recently flew the Atlantic were all on the alert.

It was reported that radar crews recently detected unidentified planes flying over American Zone areas.

Other developments on the German "cold war" front included:

1. The Soviets blamed Frau Louise Schroeder, acting Mayor of Berlin, for splitting Berlin's force between the Soviet Eastern sector and the Western Allies' sectors.
2. ADN, Soviet-licensed news

agency, said the Russians had offered to give industries in the blocked Western Berlin all the supplies they needed if they would throw in their lot with the Soviets.

3. American Air Force planes broke all their previous records for supply flights into Berlin.

Officers at Munich said 30 heavy bombers at Fuerstenfeldbruck air base, near Munich, the only operational B-29 in Germany, were on two hours' alert notice.

Seventy-five fighters at Neuberg, also near Munich, were said to be ready to take off at a moment's notice for interceptive duty.—United Press.

Attlee Turns It Down

London, July 30. Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, rejected a suggestion in the House of Commons today that he should make Communist illegal in Britain because of what was happening in Malaya.

Sir Waldron Smithers, Conservative, had asked whether he would do this "in view of the fact that the Communist movement in Malaya has revealed itself as a conspiracy against the constitution and the rights of the people in the same in all countries."

Mr. Attlee replied briefly: "No."—Reuter.

BERLIN'S WAR OF FOOD RATIONS

Berlin, July 30.

"The war of food rations" in Berlin took a new turn today with an announcement by the Food Administration in the Eastern sector.

It said that extra food rations, the distribution of which had already been suspended by the Western Allies on account of the Soviet blockade of the city, would not be distributed by the Soviet authorities in the Western sectors.

Meanwhile, the Soviet-licensed German A.D.N. news agency announced that the inhabitants of the Western sector, who registered themselves to get rations from the Soviet sector, would receive normal rations, including cigarettes, matches, soap and washing powder.

The French-licensed German newspaper, "Die Kurier," today announced that the Soviet military government had ordered the Food Administration in the Soviet Zone to reduce the number of ration cards normally distributed to the population by one million.

According to the newspaper, this will be achieved by putting one million people in the categories of producers, consumers and others who are not entitled to normal ration cards.

The paper added that the plan would enable the Soviet authorities to supply the entire population of Berlin, as there would be less food to hand out in the Soviet Zone.

In the meantime, fresh moves were made in another "war" of "war of marks" in Berlin today when the Soviet authorities "froze" the accounts of all enterprises in the Western sectors of Berlin deposited in the Berlin Municipal Bank.

Although it is situated in the British sector, the Soviet-controlled Berlin Radio was exempted from this measure.—Agence France-Press.

Reptile Life In Hong Kong (3)

THE GECKOES

There is little doubt that the most familiar of all reptiles to residents in this Colony are the lively little house-lizards which are so frequently seen inside houses and other buildings during the warmer months of the year.

These entirely harmless creatures belong to a large and widely distributed family known as Gekkonidae (geckoes), all the members of which are non-venomous, but which usually try to nip the fingers when handled. A bite from one of these small geckoes is of no consequence whatever and does not penetrate the skin, though some of the larger species found elsewhere will bite hard and tenaciously. The species which is commonly seen in the houses of Hong Kong and Kowloon is *Bowling's Gecko* (*Hemidactylus bowlingi*), but it is not entirely a house-gecko and is frequently found living on the exterior walls of buildings, and so forth. This, and the majority of other species, lays two eggs at a time, these being round or slightly oval in shape and white in colour. When laid they are soft and covered with an adhesive substance which causes them to stick together and to the surface upon which they happen to be; they soon dry, however, and become quite hard. Geckoes' eggs may be found in a variety of places such as crannies in woodwork, behind pictures, in cupboards or drawers, under stones, beneath the bark of trees, etc. When more than two are found together, they are likely to have been laid by several females. The food of geckoes consists of small animals, particularly insects, which are small enough for them to devour, and for this

reason we should regard the house-geckoes as our friends.

Records published so far include four species as occurring in the Colony, though one of these is rather doubtful and may have been based on an isolated and accidentally imported specimen, since these small animals and their eggs are very liable to

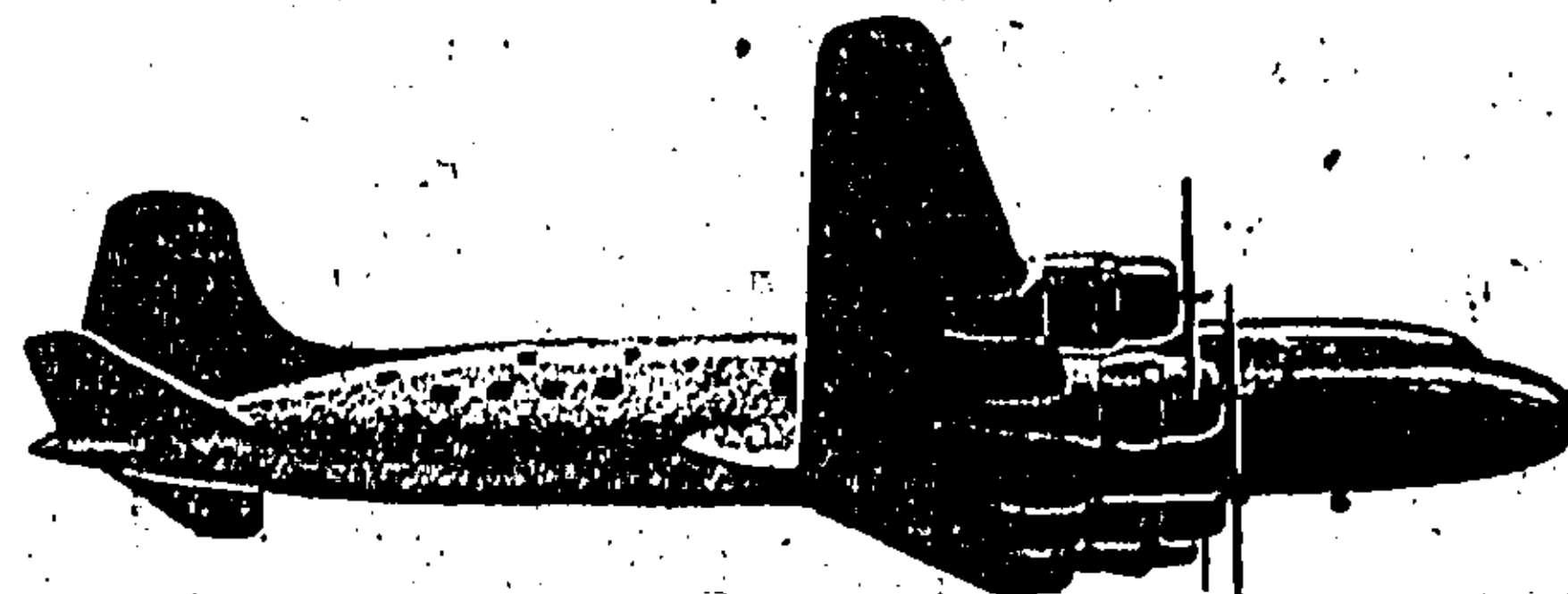
The illustration depicts a specimen of the Tuck-too (Gekko gecko) and the lower surface of the foot which is a suction device adopted for climbing. This is a very large species which occurs in southern China, but is not found in a wild state in this Colony. It grows to about one foot in length. The



be carried from one part of the world to another in merchandise and household effects. A few weeks ago, however, when out collecting after dark in the vicinity of Pokfulam Reservoir, I found a hitherto unrecorded species (*H. garnoti*) which, in China, was previously known only from Hainan. Except for some very small morphological differences, this appears identical to *Bowling's Gecko*. Here again it remains to be seen whether this species is established in the Colony or not.

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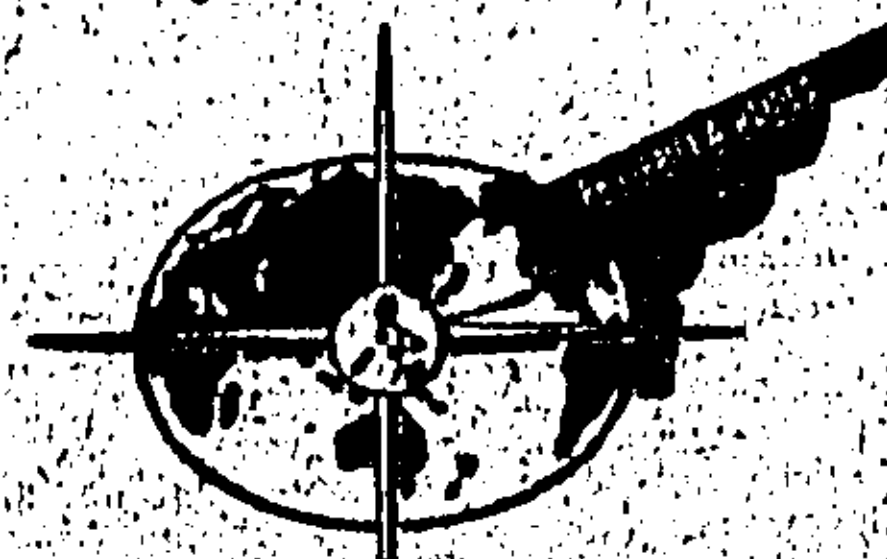
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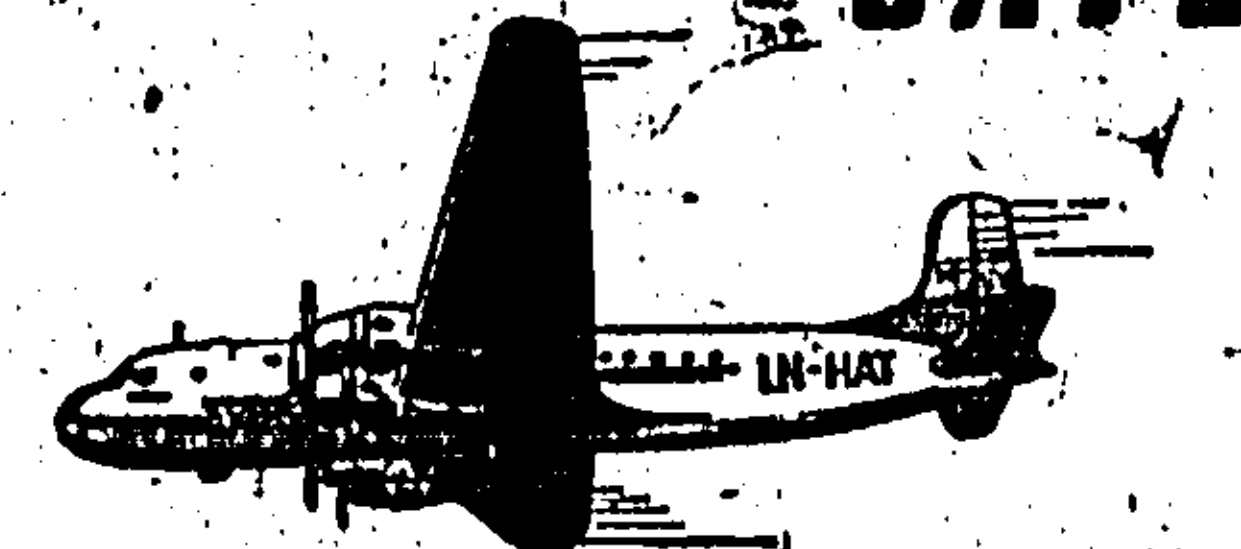
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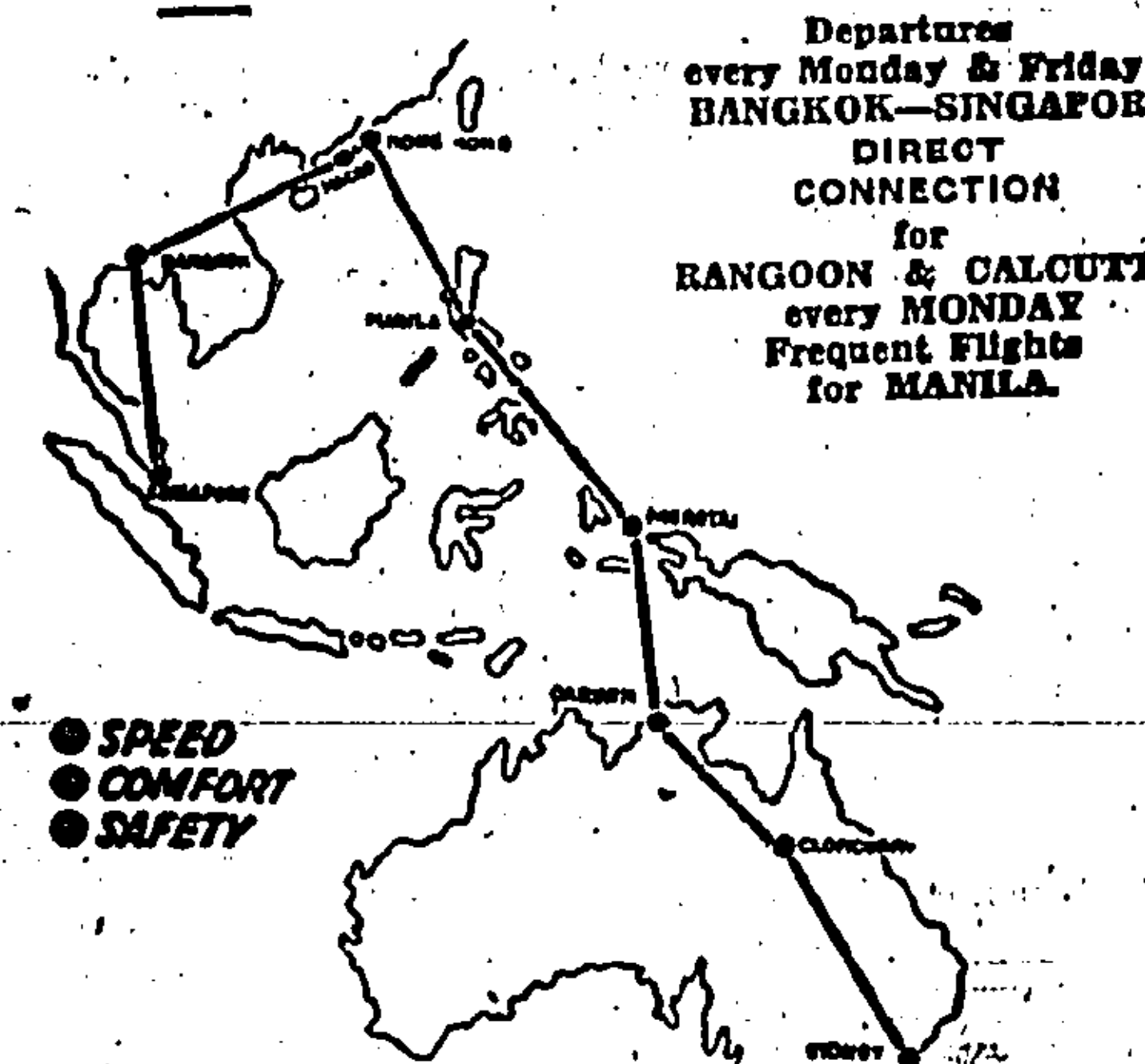
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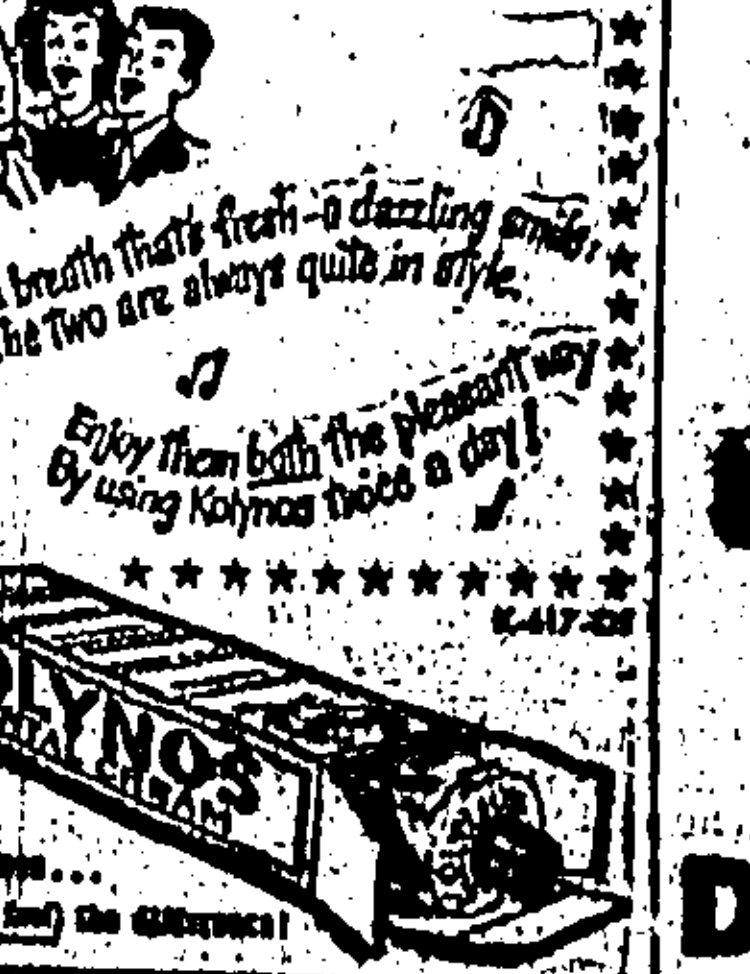


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What The Russians Are Talking About It Certainly Isn't Berlin

When Russian papers came out with articles glorifying the Red Air Force, the ordinary citizens of Russia got almost their first hint that there's a crisis about.

For the strange thing is that the one place in Europe tonight where nobody is talking about international strategy is the capital which is the cause of all the trouble.

Although Russian papers have for months written in a general way of the need for an eventual showdown with capitalist aggressors, the reporting of the Berlin crisis has been so one-sided that the ordinary reader has still had no hint at all of the real extent of the present clash.

You have only to look at the Russian papers as they come in here from across the Baltic to realize that the Russians are talking about quite different things, and that if war exploded tomorrow nobody would be more shocked and surprised than the ordinary Russian citizen.

And another thing that strikes you is that the Russian papers have just now so much open discussion of internal troubles and mismanagement that it seems almost incredible that the Russian leaders could want to involve themselves in still further difficulties.

Post-war Russia still seems to be only slowly creeping back to life.

Pravda and Izvestia these days are full of complaints from people who cannot find the ordinary things they need in their local shops—knives, spoons, forks, and

buttons—and of attacks on local Communist officials for incompetence or immorality.

The country's communications, to judge from the Press, have not improved much since the new Minister of Communications.

By GORDON YOUNG

Boris Besjev, took over last month from Ivan Kovalov, who was sacked for incompetence.

There's a big propaganda drive on, too, to get this year's good harvest in before the end of August. The slogan is: "A tractor among the crops is like a tank on the battlefield."

One trouble which the Russian papers give more space to these days than any talk of immediate war is something which has bothered every parent since Adam and Eve, and that is—the children.

The Press is full of complaints that young Reds are not what they were. They love smoking, eating, and drink.

Here's Komsomol Pravda coming out, for instance, with the sad tale of Ivan, a 15-year-old schoolboy who gave a party for four of his friends. When Ivan's father came home late that evening he found all five boys dead drunk on vodka; so young Ivan got a hiding with a leather belt, and now the paper splashes an appeal by Ivan's father that shopkeepers should not sell liquor to minors.

Even the Arts are a problem to which the Russian papers give much more space than to the crisis. Contends Pravda: "Literature in America is financed by the war profiteers. True, Democratic writers are persecuted and repressed."

The "good boys" in Russian eyes are Upton Sinclair, Theodore Dreiser, and Sinclair Lewis (whose novel "King's Blood Royal" has just been put on as a play in Leningrad).

Two fallen stars are Steinbeck and Disney—Steinbeck because he does not idealize the worker enough. Disney because his film "Song of the South" was considered 'openly to defend the idea of slavery.'

The allegedly comic paper Crocodile even had a cartoon showing Disney's three little pigs commenting "Who would have thought Disney could be such a swine!"

The Daily Mail is in trouble too. Its New Times in the current issue says "The Daily Mail 'spouts fire and brimstone' against Russia. But who's playing with fire now?"

On the lighter side, Moscow girls are talking about the summer fashions which have just been shown in Moscow. Captions on the published pictures say the dresses "incorporate beautiful motives from old folk costumes"—but they look like pure White-chapel-road to me.

Skirts are a fraction longer, Director of the Fashion House Aleksei Nikulin, has officially repudiated the "New Look." He says severely: "Soviet fashions are based on the rational principle of creating attractive and simple clothes. They are not subject to Western trends."

There has been a Soccer sensation which has truly shaken Red football fans, and also competes with world news for attention.

For the first time in 10 years the Moscow Dynamics have been beaten (2-0) by the Moscow Spartak team. Main credit is given to Spartak's star goalkeeper, Alexei Leontyev, who repelled all threats.

Says the sports writer of Moscow News lyrically: "There he stood, cool as a cucumber, taking those scorers as if they were juicy apples." Nice work, goalie—and juicy reporting too.

PATRICK CAMPBELL'S PIECE

"Do come in and sit down," I said. "Tea will be ready in a moment."

"But can't I help?" she said. "I won't be two minutes," I told her.

I couldn't wait to get back to the kitchen. The Author might already have pulled down the blind and called it a day.

It was all right. He was still working. I could see him clearly from the kitchen window, tapping away with two fingers, making small corrections on each finished page with a fountain-pen.

I warmed the tea-pot, watching him closely. At this time of day the sun shined into the windows opposite, lighting up the interior of the room, so that it is almost possible to identify the pictures on the walls. It's a splendid time for observing.

The Author removed the last sheet of paper from his typewriter and put in a long envelope. He uses quite a number of these envelopes—I've been watching him for months, ever since I moved into this flat—and it makes me think he can't be writing a novel. Unless, of course, he's writing this chapter by chapter, but that seems unlikely.

I made the tea, and as I did so he stood up and pulled down the blind. I looked at my watch. Four forty-five. Right on time. I think he must sleep in the late afternoon because the blind always comes down round about half-past four.

I carried in the tea-tray. I must have been away for some time, because she was looking at a magazine in an inattentive sort of way.

"Sorry I was so long," I said. "The kettle wouldn't boil."

I pointed to the sofa. "Won't you sit here?" I said. I got a clear view of the Eyebrow Plucker from the armchair, but I can only see the Angry Man from the sofa, and usually he doesn't come on until about six.

The Eyebrow Plucker was there all right, and, as usual, hard at work. I can see into her flat from my sitting-room. The dressing table is just beside the window, so I have her well lined up.

"What a charming lady you have here," said the place. "It's just like a barracks or an institution. All these hundreds of windows."

"Oh," I said. "I don't know. You hardly ever see any of the other residents."

I sat forward slightly, improving my view. The Eyebrow Plucker, across the block seemed to be doing something different to her hair.

She really is a wonder. She begins immediately after break-

fast, working on her face, and it obscures my view. But whatever she does, she does it all out. Since I've been watching she must have turned out rhinestones, or fire-

screens, or whatever her particular line may be. "Well," said the lady, "thank you so much for tea. I'd better leave you now. You seem a little preoccupied. Are you wrestling with a plot, or something?"

"No," I said. "No, I'm just thinking."

Unless my eye deceived me in the falling light the Eyebrow Plucker actually was putting on therapeutic mud.

After the lady had gone I had a bath. Suddenly I remembered. It must be nearly six. The Angry Man would be home. I leaped out of the bath, throwing a towel round me, and hurried to the sitting-room window.

There he was, with the light behind him, on the seventh floor right across the square—counting up and down, gesturing, from my point of vantage, just out of sight.

I watched him for a long time, wondering what it could possibly be that annoyed him with such unflinching persistence every evening at the same time.

I turned round to reach for a cigarette. The Eyebrow Plucker and Cynthia the Stitcher were both at their windows. There was little doubt that they were making a close assessment in their own minds of how I shaped up in a bath-towel.

Without a moment's hesitation I dropped on all fours and crept out of the room.

Don't imagine I was annoyed. In this business it's an eye for an eye all the way.

About a fortnight ago I asked a friend of mine to do a little job for me. He was flying to New Zealand.

"When you get to Wellington," I said, "you might just ring up my Aunt Marjorie. Tell her I'm all right, and everything."

"Tell her I'm all right," he said. "But I may not be by that time, and I don't know her."

"Tell her I'm all right," I shouted. "From what I've heard of New Zealand it is a great comfort to the inhabitants to know that their relatives are leading some kind of normal life outside."

"I'll do that," said the man. I thought about him quite a lot in the following 14 days, speeding over the plains of Arabia, dropping in at Rangoon, Aunt Marjorie's telephone number in his pocket.

He arrived home yesterday back across the shark-infested Timor Sea, the furnace of the Persian Gulf, the sun-baked Arabian deserts, carrying Aunt Marjorie's message in his head.

"Well," I said, "how did it go? Did you get her? It's extraordinary that you should have been talking to her only five days ago."

"Look," said the man, "I'm sorry about this. I couldn't get on. She wasn't in."

"You travelled 28,000 miles," I said, "and she wasn't in. Thank you very much. That's fine."

"Well," said the man in an injured voice, "I did my best. I made it a personal call."

By STAN HILL



THE WORST OF HONG KONG OF COURSE IS THAT YOU CAN'T GET OFF THE DAMNED ISLAND.

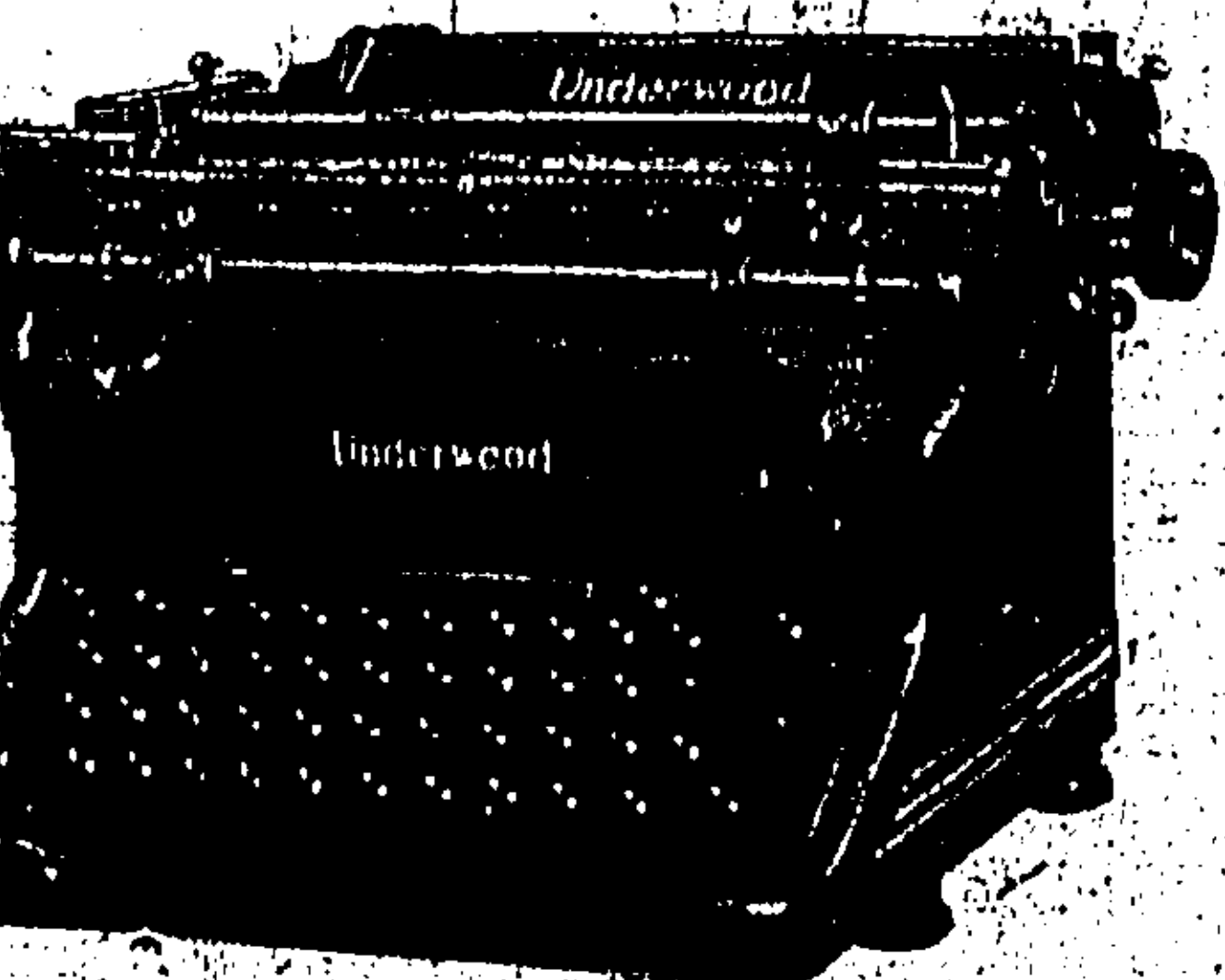
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HIGH OFFICIAL ALLEGED TO BE SOVIET SPY IN AMERICA

B-29 PLANS FOR RUSSIANS

Washington, July 30.

A high official of the Treasury Department was said to be one of the chief Soviet intelligence agents in the United States and head of a spy ring.

The ring was to have given Russia plans of B-29 Super Fortresses through the medium of a mysterious American woman named Elizabeth Bentley, it was revealed today.

The woman, it was stated, was under the constant surveillance of federal police and, according to photographs published by the Communist organ, "Daily Worker," was middle-aged with dark hair.

Informal sources stated that the spy ring unearthed by Elizabeth Bentley was larger than the atomic spy ring discovered in Canada.

Certain sources linked Elizabeth Bentley's revelations with the recent arrests of Communist leaders, but others denied the existence of such a link, emphasizing that Communist leaders had been granted bail.

No longer a "beautiful blonde", but rather a plump matron with warts and a double chin, Elizabeth Bentley told the Senatorial Committee on Un-American Activities that she had been instructed between 1935 and 1944 to forward reports to Moscow on behalf of the Communist political and, later, military, intelligence.

Copied Files

Through an official close to the White House, she said, she was able in 1944 to warn Moscow that the United States was on the verge of deciphering the Soviet code.

She charged William Remington, a high official of the Department of Commerce, who was chairman of the committee entrusted with approving export licenses to Europe, with giving her confidential information on American aviation production.

She added that the secretary of Walter Lippman, well-known newspaperman, copied his secret files and gave them to her.

Lippman's secretary, she added, was now in North Carolina. Elizabeth Bentley declared that she was in touch with Soviet agents at the time because she was inspired by Communist idealism and because she felt that the United States did not help Russia enough.—Agence France-Press.

GREEK STRIKE CALLED OFF

Athens, July 31. The post, telephone and telegraph officials and operators' strike was called off at 6.30 p.m. today.

It had lasted six days and had paralyzed Greece's internal and external communications. The decision to call off the strike was made partly under the threat that the strikers would be considered as deserters for having abandoned their posts.—Associated Press.

THE COST TO BRITAIN

London, July 30. In a written reply to a Conservative member, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, declared in the House of Commons today that the air supply of the western sectors of Berlin was costing Britain £60,000 a week. Meanwhile the Under-Secretary of State for Air, Mr. Geoffrey de Freitas, revealed, also in a written reply, that the special air operations now supplying Berlin had consumed 4,000 tons of petrol so far.—Agence France-Press.

AMERICAN RED SURRENDERS

Chicago, July 30. Gilbert Green, District Chairman of the Communist Party in Chicago, who is one of 12 Communist leaders charged with advocating the overthrow of the United States Government, surrendered today.

All of the 12 men charged have now surrendered except Gus Hall, Chairman of the Ohio State Communist Party.—Reuter.

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Hirohito's Face

New York, July 30. Emperor Hirohito has the most pity-producing face in the world, says the Artists League of America.

In its selection of the "10 most provocative faces in the world," the National Organization of Painters, Photographers and other artists described the Emperor's face as "typical sad sack." It said "his face provokes pity."—Associated Press.

HAGUE CABINET CRISIS

The Hague, July 30.

Political sources here today predicted that the Premier designate, M. Louis Beel, would definitely fail to form a new Cabinet.

He had failed to secure the support of the two small right of centre parties—the Historical Christians and the Liberal Radicals—who were successful in the last elections.

Their support would be necessary to secure Parliamentary adoption of the constitutional amendment whereby the Netherlands East Indies would become a sovereign federal state under the name of the United States of Indonesia.

It was believed that another Catholic leader, M. van Schaik, would be Princess Juliana's most likely choice for the Premiership following M. Beel's failure.—Agence France-Press.

INDIAN TRADE WITH GERMANY

Paris, July 30.

Mr. L. K. Jha, India's Chief Controller of Exports, said here tonight that the interchange of goods under the trade agreement between India and the British and American Zones of Germany announced today, would be through commercial channels and not on a Government-to-Government basis.

The agreement would come into force immediately, he said.

Mr. Jha declared that India no longer required many French luxury articles, and his discussions with representatives of the French industry would be with regard to industrial goods.

He would spend about ten days in Paris and then go on to sign a trade agreement in Czechoslovakia, he said. He would leave for India in the third week of August, travelling through London.—Reuter.

MIGHTIER THAN THE B-29

Washington, July 30.

The Air Force today announced that a B-36 heavy bomber recently made a 6,000-mile flight at more than 300 miles per hour, after taking off with the heaviest load ever lifted by a plane.

The plane flew under simulated combat conditions from Lindbergh Field at San Diego, California, where it was built by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Company, to Seattle, Washington, back to San Diego, westward off the California coast, on toward Fort Worth, Texas, then north to Dayton, Ohio. It finally landed at Fort Worth.

The Air Force has ordered 91 B-36 bombers. Eight have been delivered so far.

The record-breaking plane arrived at Idlewild International Airport, New York City, where it will be on display during the International Air Exposition starting tomorrow.

The plane is equipped with four-wheel main landing gear, which enables it to operate from any base which can handle Superfortresses.—United Press.

NAZI SHELTER BLOWN UP

Berlin, July 30.

British Army sappers succeeded at their third attempt today in blowing up the massive reinforced concrete air-raid bunker in the Tiergarten.

The great shelter collapsed under a thick blanket of smoke following the burst of a 35-ton charge of explosives. Two previous attempts last year failed to demolish the bunker, which also served as a tower for anti-aircraft guns.—Reuter.

WIFE MURDER CHARGE

Manila, July 31.

Tomas Fabella, owner of the exclusive Fabella Country Club just outside Manila's northern boundary, has been arrested by Constabulary operatives on a charge of murdering his common-law wife, Francis Corcino, 37, former nurse.

Miss Corcino was found shot in the chest with a 45 pistol in her room at the Country Club two months ago.—United Press.

WEATHER AS WEAPON IN NEXT WAR

Washington, July 31.

The United States is exploring the possibility of using the weather as a military weapon. Secrecy as deep as that surrounding the atom bomb and germ warfare development cloaks these studies of "meteorological warfare."

What military scientists want is a method of controlling the weather and directing its effect on an enemy nation. Such control would offer various possibilities, not the least of which would be ability to create droughts and thus destroy the food supply of a nation.

In World War II some frequent and small scale attempts were made on growing crops in Germany through the use of incendiary bombs to light fields of ripened grain. On a still smaller scale, there were occasional oil spraying attacks, mainly nuisance raids, on gardens of Japanese occupation forces. But these efforts in no way were on anything resembling a strategic scale.

If scientists can develop the "cloud seeding" experiments already conducted they may be able to turn lush drought or flood at will.

Mass Bombing

Civilian scientists have succeeded in producing precipitation from clouds by suddenly chilling them with dry ice. Their experiments, however, have been small and not universally successful. The dry ice, or pellets of solidified carbon dioxide, have been dropped from planes into clouds where temperature was about right for "trigger" action by the dry ice to set off snow or rain storms.

In these experiments some military scientists see the possibility that clouds drifting toward an enemy's wheat land could be forced to drop their load of moisture before reaching the crop area.

Sustained "bombing" of clouds by a mass of planes—in the manner that sustained strategic bombing was conducted during the war—might result in prolonged drought over a selected area, it is suggested.—Associated Press.

Symbolic Fact?

Tel Aviv, July 30.

Addressing the Israeli Council last night, the Foreign Minister, Moshe Shertok, said it was a symbolic fact that the United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics had united on the Palestine issue at Lake Success.

He suggested that this could serve as a starting point for an Israeli policy which would endeavour to make a modest contribution "not to war, but to peace."

Mr. Shertok strongly emphasized that Israel would not make any further concession in the current situation with the Arabs, saying that he wished peace and not mediation. He insisted he had nothing against the mediator but his methods.—Agence France-Press.

CHEN LI-FU AT COMMONS

London, July 30.

The Deputy Chairman of the Chinese Legislative Yuan, Dr. Chen Li-fu, today called on the Speaker of the House of Commons, Mr. Clifton Brown, and lunched with Mr. James Milner, the Deputy Speaker.

He listened to a debate in the House and later saw the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps.—Agf to France-Press.

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WHAT THE CHINESE PRESS IS SAYING

Sing Tao Jih Pao: The Catalina flying-boat disaster has attracted considerable public interest. The tragedy occurred so swiftly that it was unable to send out any signals for help. This has aroused suspicion and speculation. One of the reported theories which has been neither refuted nor accepted is that the plane crashed following an attempt at piracy on board.

There have also been rumours that bodies of some of the victims. This, however, still lacks confirmation. Nevertheless, the tragedy cost 26 lives, some of whom were local residents. There must be an inquiry to establish the true facts. Until then we refrain from further comment.

Kung Sheng Man Po: An English Judge of the International Court of Justice recently emphasised the important role Hong Kong is playing and will play in economic and political fields. This observation was made following his visit to various parts of the Far East.

Undoubtedly, Hong Kong is prosperous. Her prosperity, however, has an unsound basis—influx of idle capital, inflated land values and speculative commercial operations, all of which are contrary to the policy of the British Empire.

The large number of children without schooling and the number of unemployed indicates the true nature of Hong Kong's prosperity. Hordes of beggars, ruffians, prostitutes and criminals reflect the Colony's disgrace.

To make Hong Kong's present prosperity permanent, measures adopted in London should be followed here. We mean, obviously, universal social insurance. Real

prosperity can only be achieved when the community can live in peace and happiness.

Much has been done towards recovery since Liberation. But the measures adopted have not kept pace with the present age. It is indeed a great regret that while England pushed ahead with social reforms Hong Kong lagged behind.

Hong Kong should look ahead and not remain content with its current achievements. Our prayer and hope is for a lasting prosperity. Hong Kong is such an important place in the Far East that any measures or reforms it adopts will have repercussions abroad.

New Life Evening News: An unconfirmed report in Shanghai said that China will shortly open negotiations with the Hong Kong Government to prevent flight of capital to the Colony.

The report, considerably exaggerated by irresponsible news agencies, is completely devoid of common sense. There is no need for any separate financial pact while the Anti-Smuggling Pact exists. The report in question can have originated only from a person ignorant of economics.

If there is to be any negotiations between China and Hong Kong the object obviously can only be to strengthen and implement further the existing Anti-Smuggling Pact. Finance and anti-smuggling problems are part of the same question. Smuggling aggravates China's economic crisis.

Although assistance from Hong Kong is necessary, China must begin within herself to solve the problems. Incidents like the Shenyang attack on the Chinese Customs there are capable of nullifying any effective anti-smuggling agreement.

To deal effectively with smuggling, it is essential for China to have an adequate armed force along the border, and most important, China must not deny the force does not abuse its authority by engaging, directly or indirectly, in smuggling operations.

High officials in Shanghai and Nanking are quick to put the blame on Hong Kong as a centre for smuggling. We do not deny that Hong Kong is being used by smugglers. But the headquarters for smuggling is at Macao. Proof of this can be seen in the steady increase of the value of Macao currency in relation to Hong Kong currency.

The Chinese Government should question the sincerity of the Macao authorities.

Chung Ying Kian Po: Rumours that the threat of the central Government of China will be transferred from Nanking to Canton have been revived again in Shanghai and Canton. Confirmation, however, is still lacking. There are nevertheless certain factors which point to the probability of such a move.

Dr. T. Y. Sheng, leader of the Governor of Kwangtung, also has overall authority over the Army in Kwangtung. The importance of his position is at least equivalent to that of the Premier.

There is no doubt that in the event of another world war the Chinese capital will move to the south rather than to the west as during the last war. In fact, Canton is already recognised as China's auxiliary capital.

Sing Tao Jih Pao: There is no doubt that China's economic crisis is being aggravated by flight of capital and large scale smuggling.

China should therefore find means to strengthen her economic control to prevent capital from leaking out of the country.

However, Hong Kong's co-operation is essential to make the controls effective. For the past year, there has been a business slump in Hong Kong. Despite this, Hong Kong managed to balance its trade because of the influx of capital from China. This cannot be denied.

If with the co-operation of the Hong Kong Government, China is able effectively to prevent the flight of capital, it will have an adverse effect on the British Colony.

Therefore we doubt whether any effective agreement to stop the flight of capital will be welcomed by the Hong Kong authorities.

Whether it is to prevent capital from escaping to Hong Kong or to put an end to large scale smuggling, China must depend on her own ability. So long as corruption exists, there will always be loopholes through which capital will escape and large scale smuggling will continue.

Dependence on Hong Kong's sincere co-operation will be

ABLE SEAMAN



By HOLT

LIFE WITH THE BRITISH ARMY OF THE RHINE

A few days ago, in a barracks built for a panzer artillery unit high on a ridge at Wuppertal, I greeted one of the first groups of National Service men to be sent to complete their training with the Rhine Army.

They were high-spirited and eager to savour the experience of a new land, new people and new scenes—and to become members of a famous regiment.

But in many homes back in Britain there would, I thought, be a sense of apprehension about these and similar boys. Let me say this at once—given a decent type of lad there need be no fears.

"Army life can be fun," said Major Robert Thomson, in command of the 1st Battalion The York and Lancaster Regiment stationed in Wuppertal, in welcoming this National Service group.

He gave them the Army's responsibilities in the British Zone—in a nutshell—to offer security to the German people against outside enemies, and to support the Control Commission Government in its task of democratising and rehabilitating Germany.

From Wath

MAJOR Thomson hails from Wath. His father was agent, general manager and director of Menzies Main for many years, and Major Thomson had his spell in-by there.

Here is a man of ideals who is essentially a human. He has a true love of the Army—with a scrap of humour close to the surface which must have reassured the new boys.

Yes, he explained, he and a number of his fellow officers had served for some years in India—but they would, he felt, soon forget the music hall jokes about the military gentlemen from "Poonah."

If I lay particular stress on the character of the Acting C.O. (the C.O., Lieut.-Col. C. T. W. Hill, was absent on leave) and the officers generally, it is because

fruitless. Eradication of corruption will prove more effective than any co-operation from Hong Kong.

The Chinese authorities must know that the job which China's capital is escaping is within China herself.

Mr. Shinwell, the Minister for War, has told a delegation of Free Churchmen that conscript soldiers under 20 will not be withdrawn from our Army of Occupation in Germany. He did not deny the moral dangers of service in Germany, but said the reports had exaggerated the facts.

In this article, a special representative describes the conditions which the National Service man faces when he joins the British Army of the Rhine.

They mould the lives of the men under them and leave their stamp upon the unit.

Living in these barracks at Wuppertal for several days I came to know these men—in the mess, in administrative work, in field exercise, in sport and in recreational hours. They are in the main men who have campaigned in many parts of the world. In odd moments they will recall sticky moments with, say, Winston's men in Burma, in Norway, in Greece, or in Normandy.

Splendid Team

THESE officers are of varying types and tastes but they make a splendid team.

There was one of casual mien who simply could not understand any of his colleagues indulging in cricket with that "horrid, hard ball" rising most disconcertingly from the matting wickets and like "really to hurt someone."

That man, I learned later, had been an inspiration on the field of action and, according to his men, had done deeds which would have earned at least the M.C. 10 times had circumstances allowed of the necessary recording of them.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery said the other day that commanding officers must use their imagination and get the National Service man out into the country, away from the barrack square.

The appeal of the C.I.G.S. had been anticipated at Wuppertal. "Schemes" which involved exciting and colourful exercise in the field were outlined to me.

Flowers

THESE German barracks may not offer the complete facilities of Strensall, where these Nation-

BUT to return to the barracks. In out wanderings we came across well-appointed billiard rooms, writing and even music rooms. Ballroom dancing is taught and selected German girls assist the teacher.

May I introduce "Bessie" to you? She is Miss Bessie Ward, a W.V.S. worker from Glasgow, affectionately known throughout the station by her Christian name. She supervises all these recreations.

If you want to earn her gratitude and that of the Y and L, lads send her any magazines, books and games you may have available.

To Move On

MANY plans have been prepared to meet the need for more sport and entertainment. I was shown with justifiable pride, a great hall equipped to give cinema shows three times a week and to present every type of stage show.

It was also laid out for use as a gymnasium.

There was the board outside, ready to bear the name "The White Rose" Theatre. Whether, indeed, it will be given that name remains to be seen. For while it was awaiting at these barracks orders were received for the Battalion to move this month to Hamburg.

So the theatre, the sport ground and all the other pleasant additions to life in this station must be left for the units which follow. The Army accepts such orders with resignation, but it involves an enormous upheaval, particularly for the married men. Single men of other ranks greeted the news of the change with smiles, however, for organised recreation is better in the bigger centres.

No Food Luxury

WHATEVER the Germans may hold against us never can they say that our occupying troops lived on the fat of their land while they were near starvation. The troops' food is well prepared and is good—but there is no luxury in the canteen.

(There is none, either, in the officers' messes. I visited Brigade H.Q. near Düsseldorf to interview Brigadier Lord Stratheden, and lunched with him. Quite an austere meal. The beer, I gathered, had run out, and there was no thought of butter with the bread.)

Life on an Army station like that at Wuppertal must, necessarily, be largely self-contained. The men get leave passes to go down into the town, but entertainments are not numerous.

Army transport is limited and public transport is barred to the British soldiers. The latter is already overburdened. Single-decker trams with trailers absorb an astonishing number of people.

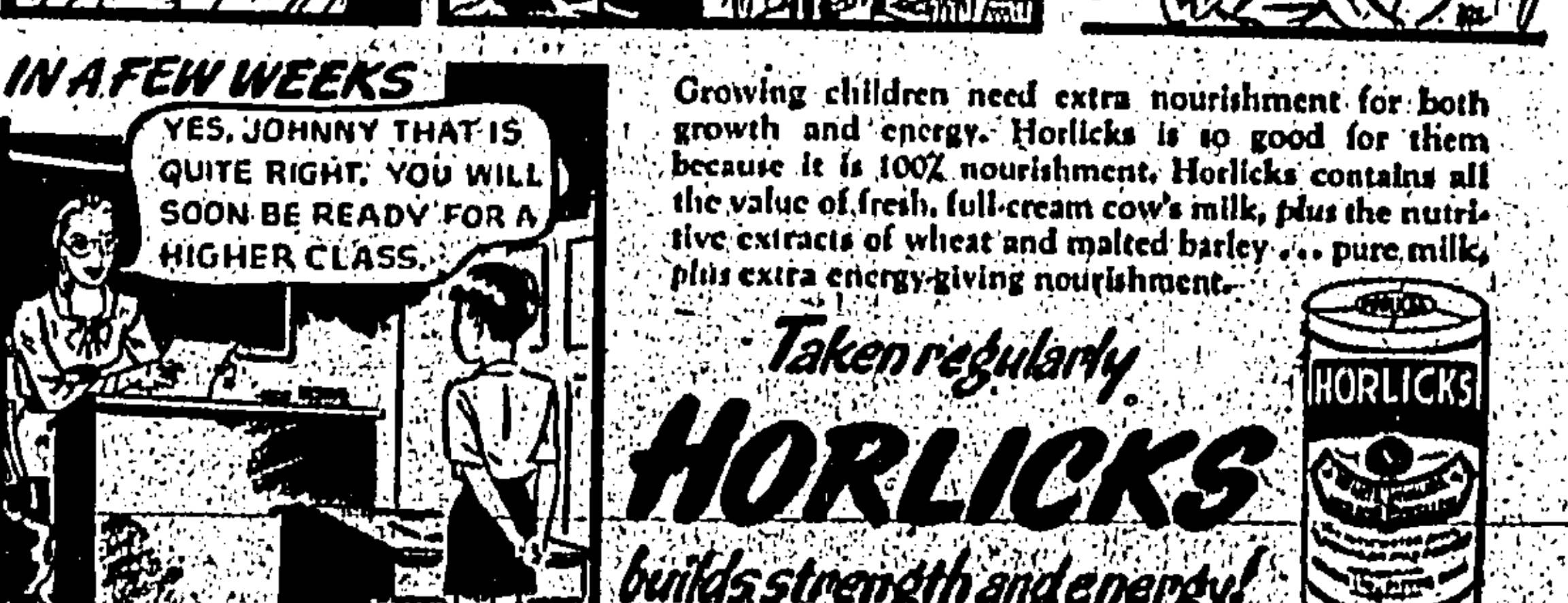
There appears to be no limiting factor, beyond cubic space and oxygen, to the number of passengers these vehicles carry. Drivers peer through the groups of people clustering their platforms to get a view of the road ahead.

SOUTH AFRICAN SENATE

Capetown, July 29. The South African Nationalist Government and the United Party Opposition each command 22 votes in the new Senate elected today.

Dr. Malan, the Prime Minister, dissolved the Senate, in which General Smuts' United Party had a large majority, on July 9. Senators are appointed for a term of 10 years by the Governor-General.—Reuter.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1948.

Fawzi Al-Kaukji, The Arab Guerilla Leader, Is Not Himself An Arab, But He Has An Implacable Hatred Of Zionism.

"MY ENEMY IS ZIONISM"

Described by the British as 'Public Enemy No. 1' when he led the Arabs in the revolt in Palestine in the Summer of 1936, Fawzi al-Kaukji became the automatic choice for the role of Arab commander of the forces in the field when the struggle against Zionism was summed.

A bold and resolute leader of troops, with a flair for guerilla fighting, and one who earned the respect of the British for his great fight against odds, Fawzi is regarded by the Arab peoples as the Robin Hood of the Middle East. So much trouble did he cause in these few short months that the British Commander-in-Chief, General Dill, offered a reward of £2,000 for the capture of the Arab leader. Fawzi's reply was to have bills posted throughout Palestine offering £5,000 for the person of General Dill!

Red Hair

A striking personality, with prominent grey eyes, full lips and thinning red hair, his exploits since he fought in the Turkish Army against the British in the First World War have made him the object of youthful hero-worship wherever Arabic is spoken. Yet Fawzi himself is no Arab. By nationality a Syrian, he is of mixed Turkish and Circassian stock, but in temperament he appears to have more of the intuitive dourness of the Scot than might be expected in a man of hot Eastern blood.

Still in his early fifties, strongly built and with a distinctly military bearing, there is little of the East about him when he is dressed in European clothes. In fact, he could pass in any crowd as a typical Briton. Only when his emotions are deeply stirred does he become animated, as when, after escaping from the British dragnet in Palestine in 1936, he told me in Bagdad: "The British describe me a Public Enemy No. 1. This is a mistake; I am a friend of the British people, or any other nation friendly towards the Arabs, but I am the enemy of any person, British or otherwise, serving the cause of Zionism."

His Creed

This is Fawzi's creed, and the cause to which he has devoted the best years of his life. As he spoke, in quiet yet forceful tones, and with an implacable gleam in his eyes, I was left in no doubt that whenever and wherever the battle against the Jews was renewed, he would be found in the van of the fight. That was nearly 12 years ago, and now he has fulfilled his resolve and his offensive spirit animates the Arab forces in Palestine.

Fawzi's colourful military career began when, as a youth, he joined the Turkish army and fought against the Allies, during the revolt against the Turks in the Hijaz, and during Allenby's campaign in Palestine.

His early training in war in the Holy Land gave him an extraordinarily intimate knowledge of the country. It was this knowledge that made him such a thorn in the flesh of the Mandatory Power that a full brigade had to be employed to hunt him down.

During the years he fought for the Turks, he on one occasion saved the life of Mustapha Kemal, who later became the first President of Turkey.

Lay With Dead

At a loose end after the war, and still feeling the call of a military career, he joined the French army in Syria. While still with the colours, he

them and promising to assist to the best of his ability in effecting his own arrest, Fawzi was handed a copy of his own photograph for identification purposes.

It was not until late October that pressure became too great. With thousands of troops combing the country for him and the remnant of his followers, Fawzi, never dreaming of sur-

had received a special message of welcome from the Prime Minister.

Two months later, however, he was released and was at last able to return to his native Syria, the new national Cabinet having persuaded the French authorities to grant him a free pardon for his past transgressions.

At the same time, he was given the task of organising the new Syrian army. He thus has the unique distinction of having served with the Syrian, Iraqi and Saudi Arabian armies, all of which, with the Egyptian forces, and the crack Arab Legion from Transjordan, have crossed the Palestine frontier to put the Arab cause to the proof of battle.

Inveterate Hater

For once, however, Fawzi will not be fighting against his old adversaries—the British. His last clash with them was in 1941, at the time of the Rashid Ali revolt in Iraq. He also played a leading part in the campaign in Syria, just escaping by plane from Aleppo before the British entered the city.

Should the Arab assault fail and should there be no intervention by the major Powers, the war will develop into one of attrition, with guerilla tactics playing a major part. If Fawzi survives—and he seems to bear a charmed life—he will be the natural leader of these irregular forces, and peace will be long in coming with such an inveterate hater in command.

BY TOM ELLIOT

became fired with enthusiasm for the cause of Arab nationalism through meeting former Turkish officers, mainly Iraqis, who had fought with Lawrence in the Revolt in the Desert.

When the Druse leader, Sultan Pasha al-Atrash, revolted against the French, Fawzi deserted and joined the rebels. Appointed second in command of the Druse forces, he was tried in absentia by a French court martial and sentenced to death. When the Druse assault was launched on Damascus, Fawzi was in the thick of the fighting. During a night attack, while leading a small band to an objective, his men were practically wiped out by machine-gun fire. Fawzi, unharmed, lay for hours amid a pile of bodies in the burning city.

As the fighting died and the Druse retreated, he stripped the uniform from a dead French officer, donned it, and coolly sauntered through the French lines to safety.

Fawzi's Chance

When the rebellion collapsed, Fawzi escaped to Turkey. He later visited Egypt, and while there accepted the invitation of King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud to reorganise the Saudi Arabian army on modern lines. Afterwards he went to Iraq and served there for some years as an army officer. While still in Iraq, the disorders in Palestine began. This was Fawzi's call to action, and in the early summer of 1936 he began, in secret, to recruit men in Bagdad to take part in the struggle.

Although under police supervision at the time, he was successful in equipping several hundred men for the dash across the desert. The Palestine frontier guards were by-passed with the aid of Fawzi's unsurpassed knowledge of the future battle-ground and his convoy of trucks joined forces with the Arabs already in the field.

Fawzi was immediately elected commander of the strong band of well-equipped guerilla troops. Then began a game of hide-and-seek with the British, a game of ambushes, raids and skirmishes that was to keep the country in a turmoil throughout the summer.

Promise To Help

The capture of the elusive Fawzi became the main British objective, and often they came near success without knowing it. On one occasion Fawzi, while visiting a local sheikh in his village, was introduced to a party of British officers specially detailed to capture him. After shaking hands with

render and relying on his superior topographical knowledge and up-to-date information of troop dispositions from the friendly Arab population, gave the order for the evacuation of his force.

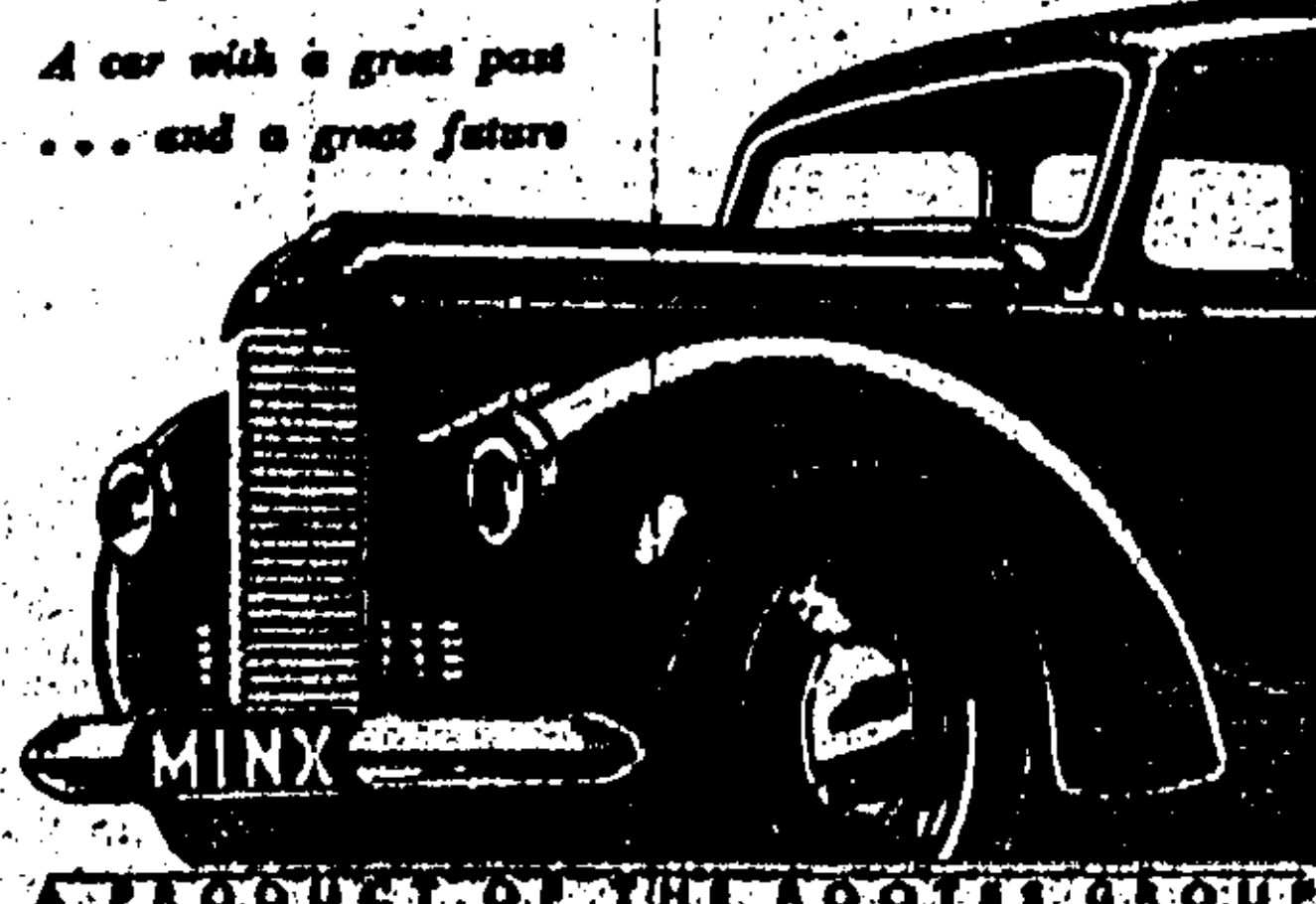
With the pincers closing in, the lorry convoy was assembled and the hazardous return to Bagdad began. Fawzi evaded one ambush, only to fall into another, from which he had a hairbreadth escape from death or capture.

Popular Hero

Back again in Bagdad, Fawzi was soon in more trouble—his time for trying to foment public opinion against Turkey in the Alexandretta dispute. He was arrested by the police—to the disgust of the Bagdadis, who regarded him as a popular hero after his exploits in Palestine. On his return he

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Talking about Films

BEST OF ALL THE MOTHER FILMS

By Fred Majdalany

I have often wondered just when it is that women stop being young matrons and turn mysteriously into that fabulous and formidable fantasia called Mother.

It can't be merely the hat and the figure, because the youngest of women can have funny hats and funny figures.

Children, with characteristic perverseness, seem aware of the difference.

A friend of mine, in the middle 30's and pretty, had occasion once to visit her daughter at school. She prepared herself with great care, hoping that the daughter might be pleased about owning such a youthful-looking and elegant mother.

She was a riot with the daddies, who fell over one another to feed her strawberries and tea. But her daughter was strangely glum.

"Mummy," said the child afterwards, "why couldn't you look more like a — like a mummy?"

These reflections are prompted by the arrival of yet another film about a mother, "I Remember Mama," a little masterpiece of comedy and the best of all mother films.

You will love the immigrant, Norwegian-American centre-piece of "I Remember Mama" because she is a complete and monumental and universal and human actuality. As played by Irene Dunne she is the mother to end mothers.

The film is a chronicle of family life in a poorish San Francisco home. 40 years ago seen through the eyes of one of the daughters. Its incidents are the gigantic trivialities of family life:

Uncle Chris and the aunts; the mother's masquerade as a char-woman to make a forbidden visit to her child in hospital; her gaining on her daughter's behalf of the help of a celebrity, who is won over by that shrewdest of maternal coinage—a recipe.

Irene Dunne has already earned her long-service and good-conduct medal. This subtle, humorous, heartfelt performance earns her several bars to it.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. On the Sun.
2. Solid carbon dioxide.
3. Science of the measurement of time.
4. Marchioness (English) and Marquise (French).
5. The early Romans.
6. One which joins the sea and shares its tides.
7. Opera.
8. 212°.

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She is finely helped along by (among others) Oscar Homika, Barbara Bel Geddes, Philip Dorn.

Maurice Wiltshire, who wrote the original story of "My Brother's Keeper" has been luckier than many screenwriters. The story (neatly adapted by Frank Harvey, Jun.) has reached the screen almost exactly as he wrote it. And it is his first effort.

It is also Antony Darnborough's first time as producer and Alfred Roome's as director.

Sydney Box's £125,000 gamble on this "new boys" film is well justified. It is a lively and entertaining chase story—the man-hunt being complicated on this occasion by the fact that there are two escaped prisoners, who are hand-cuffed together.

One (excellent) veteran Jack Warner is a hardened criminal; the other (excellent) new boy George Cole) a frightened boy who didn't want to escape at all.

Mr. Wiltshire develops this new twist so that excitement and comedy (admirably represented by David Tomlinson) swiftly alternate.

It is comforting to know that whatever happens to this sceptred Isle, Hollywood does its best to record our strange ways for posterity.

"The Sign of the Ram" offers Columbia's notion of Life In Cornwall, where a crippled young married woman (Susan Peters) dominates from a wheelchair the lives of an assortment of Americans such as might be found any time swarming around St. Ives or Looe. No seagulls, though. Most un-Cornish, un-Cornish, sir.

In "If Winter Comes" M-G-M. present Life in an English Village, and prove that spring darned well can be far behind. Long, fearful rehearsal of A. S. M. Hutchinson's story of a good man nearly ruined by gossip.

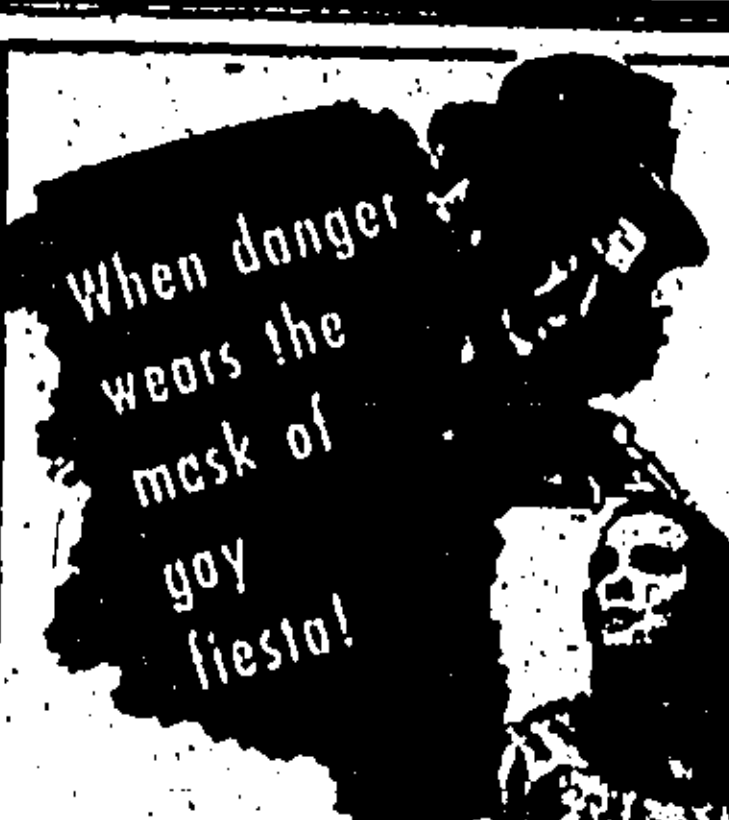
Walter Pidgeon is the man—writer of school text-books. Wife, Angela Lansbury; opposition, Deborah Kerr. Alas, poor Deborah! Gone is the fiery waywardness of "I See a Dark Stranger," gone the wimpled loveliness and restrained passion of "Black Narcissus." They've ironed her into just another nice girl who can play English-women pleasantly.

With director David Macdonald, of "Desert Victory" fame in command, a film unit has left London recently aboard the 900-ton steam yacht "Valencia" bound for Barbados, to shoot exterior scenes covering the discovery of the western world. These are for the spectacular colour production of "Christopher Columbus." On arrival the unit will take over two locally-built replicas of Columbus's ships, "Santa Maria" and "Nina," being furnished with nautical gear of the period specially lent by Britain's marine museums. When the local scenes have been filmed, the ships will sail to London, taking eight weeks to cross the Atlantic. Berthed in the Thames, the best of the exteriors will be enacted by the immense cast, headed by Frederick March who refused a tempting Hollywood offer in order to go to London to take the title part.

Fortune plays many strange tricks in the film world. Not long ago red-haired 17-year-old Claire Bloom, an unknown extra, was tested for the part of Ophelia in "Hamlet," but was rejected in favour of Jean Simmons. She left the studio weeping, but did

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ney Bor happened to walk into the projection room while her test was being screened—and made a mental note of her obvious talent. Now he has given Claire a part in "The Pink Horse" and is training her for future stardom.

Another brilliant newcomer in Director Bogarde, former painter and writer. He makes his debut as the footman in "Father Waters." On his first day at the studio he was shown a pair of spirited carriage horses and told to drive them up a hill—he had never held reins in his hands before. For his second picture "Allen Corn" he was informed he was a music student and directed to sit down at his piano—he couldn't play a note! Then he reported to act in "Once a Jolly Swagman" so was hardly surprised when the showed him a racing motor cycle and announced he was a famous speedway star. However a professional tutor was in attendance on the occasion before the cameras began to turn.

Current Shows

QUEEN'S—"To The Victor"—With Dennis Morgan and the new Swedish star, Viveca Lindfors.

KING'S—"Night Song"—With Dan Andrews, Merle Oberon, Ethel Barrymore and Boag Carmichael. Plus the picture of the Louis-Walcott fight.

CATHAY—"The Shocking Miss Piggy"—Essentially a musical entertainment.

MAJESTIC—"Jitterbugs"—Laurel and Hardy.

ALHAMBRA—"To The Victor"—Same as the Queen's.

STAR—"Fiesta"—With Esther Williams.

LEE—"Mr. Ace"—With George Raft and Sylvia Sydney.

Our Serial Story

THE AUSTRALIAN BEST SELLER

THESE ARE MY PEOPLE

By ALAN MARSHALL

"We can't thin him," he told me. "He's fat be natcher."

Brulser, his cobbler, got his little through giving a "big kid" a black eye. He wore a tattered green sweater; there were one or two ragged holes in his trousers. His eyes were merry and friendly. One instinctively liked him. Jim, the third member, was a quiet disciple of Brulser's.

The three boys were small for their age. My crutches were far too tall for them. They tried them out as was the custom. We conducted a leaping contest and I gave a demonstration. I jumped on to chairs, off chairs and over logs. Then the boys had a turn, spread-eagling the crutches and jumping much farther than I did.

I showed them over the caravan and talked to them till Olive strode triumphantly in carrying the roast beef.

No, they wouldn't stay to lunch, but they would be "back after."

They were, but without Jim, who, I understand, was regarded as a sliss. In his place was a well-built youth of seventeen, Plugger, known as "Plug."

Plug was a modest, sandy-haired boy who, when asked questions requiring specialised knowledge, such as: "What is the name of the tree?" would reply, "Gawd! I dunno."

We liked Plug—more, we loved him. He became our greatest friend.

I was typing in the sunshine when they returned. Flicker and Brulser flung themselves from their bicycles and hailed me like an old friend. Plug stood quietly in the background till Brulser introduced him.

"That's Plug," he said.

"How ya doin'?" I said.

Plug was "doin'" all right.

I continued typing while Brulser explained my mission to his friend.

"See that book in there. That's full of his writin's. It's a beaut."

"It's beaut," Flicker joined in "I saw right through it."

"Struth, c-c-an't 'e type!" exclaimed Plug.

"We ain't worryin' ya, are we?" Brulser asked.

"No," I said.

"There's an ice chest in there," Brulser continued giving out information.

"We was in an' saw it," said Flicker.

I relaxed and sat back.

"What do you think of the war?" I asked Brulser.

"Ya know what I think," he said.

"England's gonner fight Russia. You see. What'll happen is that England will join in with Germany, somehow, and they'll both have a crack at Russia."

"I think we'll be governed by America," said Flicker. "It would be good under America."

"Would it?" Brulser was scornful. "Russian rule will do me. Every man gets a fair go. If we was born in Russia we'd know things."

"The Japs would be cxxok to live under," said Flicker.

"If I met a Jap I'd like to have a Tommy-gun up my sleeve," said Brulser.

"I'd sooner have it in my hand," I told him.

This poor attempt at humour struck Flicker as being extremely funny. He held his sides to laugh. He twisted in circles and made joyous leaps in the air as if laughter was of enough to express his delight.

In the weeks that followed he often recalled it and laughed at the memory.

"I like to hear you crack Brulser," he told me in confidence on one of these occasions.

I noticed that Plug was not contributing to our conversation.

"What's Plug think of it?" I asked.

"Plug there, stutters," said Brulser quickly. "Know any cure for it?"

We all looked at Plug, who sat with his eyes modestly downcast, the centre of attention.

"It can be cured," I said. "Is he left-handed?"

No, he wasn't left-handed.

"Patience and will-power would help," I said.

"Fynny thing," said Brulser, "he never stutters when he swears, do you, Plug?"

"N-n-n-no," agreed Plug.

"An' he can swear like hell," said Flicker.

"Does he stutter when he sings?" I asked.

Plug stuttered a negative to this.

"I suppose some words are harder, for you to say than others," I went on.

Plug agreed that this was so.

"When he gets excited he doesn't stutter," Brulser informed me. "The more excited he gets, the better."

"That's strange," I said.

"One day he near stepped on a snake," said Flicker. "Y'oughter heard him."

"Tell me. Why were also these poisonous things made?" demanded Brulser, leaning forward. "That's what puzzles me. What are they here for?"

"I often wonder that, too," I said.

"But snakes now," went on Brulser. "What good are snakes?"

"Everything has its purpose," I said. "Snakes keep down rats and mice."

"I'd like to know how they started," continued Brulser, with increasing interest. "Now, how did an elephant start? It must be a cross between something."

I explained evolution to them and mentioned the horse as an example of change that could be followed by a study of fossilised remains.

"Well, I'll go to buggery!" exclaimed Brulser, when I had finished.

These boys were working for a living. Their schooling was ended. They were turned loose in a world whose people refused the responsibility of teaching them more.

They wanted to know so much, but there was no one interested enough to try and understand their need. There were no clubs for them to spend their leisure in, no responsible person to encourage them to read, no free library for their benefit.

The mention of their names brought forth expressions almost of alarm from "respectable" people. As one man put it: "The hump for those lads is just about sprouting in New Zealand," which was his way of prophesying a hanging for the three of them.

But they were happy and got the most out of their circumstances.

They rattled their pocket money for a brief interval, then spent it at the pictures.

"You can have a lot of fun on two and six a week," Brulser told me.

When I got to know them better, I asked them if they would like me to read to them.

They were eager to begin.

At nights we sat round the caravan table and I read them stories I knew they would like. I had the "Bedside Equire" Book and I read them the story of the war with the ants and the one about the plague of rats in the lighthouse. I read them exciting bits from Hemingway and told them stories of my own making.

Saturday was sacred to the pictures. To "miss the pictures" was considered a calamity. Plug was proud of the fact that he hadn't missed a Saturday night for three years. Yet they gave up this highlight of the week to hear stories instead.

They were wonderful listeners.

"You put it nice. You talk nice,"

explained Brulser self-consciously, when attempting to thank me.

"G-Gawd, the things you've t-t-taught us. I dunno," was Plug's way of expressing his gratitude.

Their desire to learn was not based on selfish motives. They did not wish to learn for the sake of being better than their fellows or to acquire a sense of superiority. They were hungry and they sought food which they were prepared to share with everyone.

They sensed their responsibility to the community as well as their responsibility to themselves.

Old Dan Troop, who had fought in the last war, was their friend.

Together with other boys their own age, they approached him in a serious vein one day. They put forward a proposition that, as the war was now entering a serious stage, they thought they ought to form some sort of unit to prepare them for fighting.

There they stood before him—all under-sized, all imbued with a sense of gravity, all very earnest, and Dan rose to the occasion and responded in a manner befitting their mood.

He recommended drill and said he would train them. They were grateful. He made them fall in, then. It must have been an odd sight—these steps and stairs of youths—smokers, sweaters and would-be drinkers—lined up in the hot sun.

Dan reclined comfortably in the shade of a red gum and put them through two hours of gruelling drill, then dismissed them.

"Come again to-morrow," he said, but Brulser acting as spokesman for his staggering, sweating cobbler, gasped painfully, "I think we're set now, Mr. Troop. We'll do now."

Plug was our most frequent visitor. Early morning, lunch and night—three times a day, often.

He mostly sat in silence while Olive knitted and I typed. He became familiar with our play-acting; our habit of sometimes talking to each other like imbeciles.

When I dropped ash on the floor, or split my coffee, or bumped our rickety table with disastrous results to Olive's letter, she would raise her hand and say sternly, "Smack," at which I would hold out my hand and, with a suitable schoolboy-found-out expression, receive my punishment.

It became an amusing game.

Plug joined in and would sit for long periods watching me intently, waiting for me to break one of our numerous rules and regulations.

I always did, somehow, at which he would bawl out, "Smack," and roll up his sleeve. After a few smacks from his big hand I became the best behaved adult that ever graced the town.

At first his stuttering distressed me. I found myself straining with him to produce the word he wanted to say. I almost stuttered in sympathy. But I gradually taught myself to relax while he was talking.

Brulser, who had a great admiration for Plug, often finished Plug's sentences for him. Plug would then nod to show that he had been correctly presented.

The friendship between the three was deep and thrived on the position each one occupied in the group—Brulser was the boss; Plug, the back horse; Flicker, the safety valve.

Olive became very fond of them. She called Brulser, "Brulser." He always stopped her in the street for a talk and, I have no doubt, adored her.

One evening Father Flannigan and Ted Fox were entertaining us with stories of fishing. We were sitting outside, our faces half revealed by the light of the campfire.

The three boys rode out of the darkness while we were talking. They stood respectfully in the background till the two men left, then rushed the vacated chairs in a sudden lifting of restraint. They produced some hot potato chips wrapped in dirty newspaper which, so they told us, they had bought from "Dingo Dick."

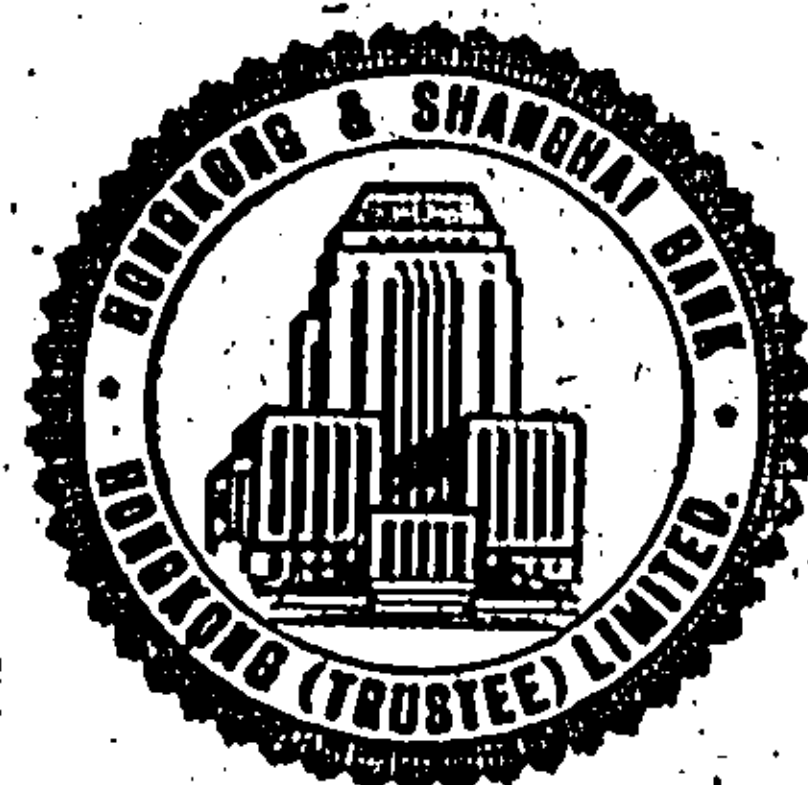
We ate chips and talked.

Olive sat on the steps and examined, by the light of the caravan lamp, two scraps of material she had got from a shop.

"Isn't that a glorious colour?" she said, holding one up for inspection.

Brulser, reclining in a miniature deck chair which he had brought from home for his own use, said shrewdly, "That's always the beginning. She'll want to buy some now."

Olive looked at him in astonishment. "I think you're right," I said.



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We talked about women, and Olive asked him: "Don't you like women?" "They talk too much," said Brulser. "You see them on street corners. They start on babies, and end on safety pins."

"You don't think I talk too much, do you?" asked Olive, looking her prettiest.

This was hitting Brulser beneath the belt, as it were. He hastened to assure her that she was "different." "You're all right," he said. "You got sense."

To them, Olive was perfect. They admired her gay-coloured slacks and her disregard of the more stupid conventions. They felt at ease with her and, because of her ability to see things from their angle, they talked to her without restraint.

They found excuses to address her. "Nice lamp you got in there."

"Must be good cookin' on them stoves."

She delivered small sermons to them which they rendered sterile by agreeing heartily with her.

"Small boys shouldn't drink," she told them after they had described their first experience of being drunk. "Course they shouldn't."

They regarded this advice as not applying to them.

"And, another thing," went on Olive. "You all smoke too much."

"Smoke!" they exclaimed. "We don't smoke as much as him here," and they looked at me.

"I smoke too much," I admitted lamely.

"Do you reckon smoking stunts your growth?" Flicker, who is small for his age, asked wistfully.

I thought over the best answer to this, knowing that smoking would always be a habit of it does.

"Too much of it does," I said.

Flicker was relieved. "I don't smoke much," he said.

(To Be Continued)

PIGMY CARTOON



"I've been to a psychiatrist, that's where I've been - you big wind-bag!"

MUST WE CHANGE OUR SEX STANDARDS?

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LIVE MUSIC

BY the time these notes appear, the Manila Symphony Orchestra, whose visit here is promised on 31st July, will have come and gone. An event of this nature, however, cannot be passed unnoticed on this page. To what enterprising body the Colony owes a debt for arranging the visit, I do not know, but whoever is responsible surely deserves congratulation from those of us in the Colony who are mindful of music and its attendant arts. Of the orchestra or its capabilities I am not able to speak, nor have I available details of its programmes. Nevertheless, to the hungry for a crust of bread is welcome and the organisation of this event a step in the right musical direction. "Qua sequitur," as the Romans succinctly put it, does such an event have to remain an isolated incident. Geographical factors, I realise, discount numerous visits or large orchestras, but if musicians or artists en route by liner could be persuaded to give a performance during their overnight stop here, a much needed want could thereby be fulfilled. Maybe the bogey of finance raises here its ugly but persistent head.

Since writing the foregoing, I have since learned the Concert is under the auspices of the Sino-British Club, which body, of course, is performing sterling work in fostering a healthy interest in the Colony's musical activities.

IT IS good to know, too, that ZBW is not to miss the opportunity of undertaking an outside broadcast. Credit be where credit is due. ZBW comes in for much buffetting and criticism, so that it seems only fair to adopt a reverse operation when conditions call for it.

The last minute scrapping of programmes and consequent re-arrangement of features must have been quite a formidable task. It is encouraging to know that these difficulties were not allowed to stand in the way of this unique opportunity.

COVENT GARDEN

POLITICS and music seldom mix or even find common ground. If one excepts Mozart's "Magic Flute," this opera—as regards its libretto—was a piece of pure lampooning of the Masonic movement.

Now I see that the wide-spread net of nationalisation is extended to include the compulsory purchase of Covent Garden, the Government's avowed intention being to bring opera within reach of the poor man. A laudable object, indeed, and one which, if achieved in the same degree as was existent in pre-war Germany and Italy, will be an artistic feather in the Government's cap. The Arts Council is apparently to be responsible for the management of Covent Garden, so pardon my audible sigh of relief!

SUNDAY

THREE Programmes call for some comment on Sunday evening, which is probably peak-listening period of the week.

At 7.30, there is an interesting item of "Famous Overtures," during the following will be heard:

Coliph of Baghdad Rossini.
Orpheus in the Underworld Gluck.
Russian and Ludmilla Glinka.
The Meistersingers Wagner.
The overture, as such, is strictly a prefatory composition designed mainly to persuade the audience into a receptive frame of mind for the opera or concert to follow. Consequently, one could justly expect the composer to scamp through this composition knowing full well that little attention would likely be paid to it. That, at least, was the early theory. Strangely enough, however, many overtures are in themselves gems of composition, and have reached—to all intents and purposes—the eminent heights of concert music.

GLINKA's claim to fame rests largely on his two operas "A Life for the Tsar" and "Russian and Ludmilla." The overture to the latter opera is being played tonight, and like most of his Russian compatriots, Glinka infuses the Russian motif into his composition.

Wagner's "Meistersingers" is, I feel, one of his happiest works and the overture presages much of the music to be heard in the opera proper.

At 8.45, Tchaikovsky's ever-popular "Capriccio Italien" is to be heard. Unlike Glinka, Borodin, Glazounov and other Russian composers, Tchaikovsky was able to absorb and reproduce to perfection the idiom of music other than that of his fatherland. The swinging rhythms, the joyful orchestration, the sureness of touch make "Capriccio Italien" an admirable medium for the exposition of Tchaikovsky's talents.

At 10.30, Dello and Vincent D'Indy are represented in the Chamber Music concert by the following works: Dello: Sonata No. 2 Viola & Piano. Lionel Tertis—Viola. George Reeves—Piano.

D'Indy: Suite for Violin, Violin Cello and Harp Op. 91.

Quintette Instrumental de Paris. As the most devoted of Cesar Franck's pupils, D'Indy carried on—even improved—the classic form he had absorbed from his master. His romanticism seems to be forever striving to outweigh the austerity of his classical education, and his Suite—to be heard tonight—is one of the most graceful examples of his felicitous style. This is a "not-to-be-missed" item.

MONDAY

GRACE Moore, recently killed in a disastrous air crash in Denmark, is the subject of a 15-minute gramophone recital at 7 p.m.

Grace Moore was that unusual person, an actress and a soprano of high order. With these attributes, she coupled the ability to look quite charming whilst singing, a difficult enough feat at any time.

Her film career, begun when she was already an established star at the Metropolitan Opera, was hampered by a spate of silly stories. If one were prepared to ignore this, however, and view the film for the sake of a lovely voice and good music well reproduced, then Grace Moore's films were admirable. I feel personally the best she ever did was "Jenny Lind"—and the tampering with the facts can be partially excused on the grounds of poetic licence.

At 9.30 p.m., two accomplished artists are giving a second recital of music for piano or cello. Clara Stanfield (piano) and Joy Hall (cello) are playing Beethoven's Sonata No. 2, this being a live broadcast from the Studio.

This is not the place for an analytical survey of this Opera. Suffice it to say this. Beethoven's Chamber Music—artistically a purist form of music—is unsurpassed in its own sphere. The intimacy that must essentially be the relation between the performers is no where so emphasised or so apparent than in his music for violin or cello and piano. Like Elgar, Dvorak, Tchaikovsky and many others, Beethoven seemed to find the cello a peculiarly-satisfying instrument for which to write. It has ever been the medium through which even a mediocre composer found some unusual inspiration. Beethoven and Elgar, particularly, took great delight in penning down drawn-out phrases of lyrical beauty for this noble instrument.

THE Colony is fortunate in being able to call on the services of these two artists, for, as is often the motif of these notes, "live" broadcasts are, by virtue of circumstances, lamentably few. Elsewhere on this page, those who read may be interested in the little "thumb-nail sketch" of Miss Hall which will, I hope, serve the purpose of stressing this particular programme. I know I express the wish of all music lovers when I say that we can do with more broadcasts of this nature.

Contributed By "MUSSETTA"

TUESDAY

THE "Great Composer" series has now finished, but not without having brought some of the best music over ZBW. This series will be missed, but "as a rose by any other name would smell as sweet," there is a hope that a similar programme may be run in the near future. To replace it, a short series of music by British Composers is to commence. I hope to say more about this series in next week's notes, but since Elgar, Dello, Purcell, Bliss, Lambert, and Vaughan Williams fall in this category, there is a wide choice from which to select.

THURSDAY

At 8.15 p.m., the British Concert Hall is on the air with a Russian programme comprising:—

Polonaise from "Eugene Onegin" (Tchaikovsky)

Variations on a Theme of Paganini (Rachmaninoff)

Symphony No. 2 in B Minor (Borodin)

In all, Tchaikovsky wrote eight operas (I refuse to write operas) of which "Eugene Onegin" is undoubtedly the most popular. It is seldom performed outside of the Russian Opera House, although there are some lovely tenor arias in it.

CYRIL Smith, who plays solo-piano in the Rachmaninoff work, is a Yorkshireman who, with his wife, Phyllis Sellick, are well-known musicians and broadcasters. He has, incidentally, achieved the distinction of being a Professor of Music at the Royal Academy at the early age of twenty-six.

Sir Malcolm Sargent conducts and also comments on the music. His remark of the Borodin Symphony emphasises its peculiarly Russian content. "The Symphony," claims Sargent, "reminds one of big boots, long beards and vodka." A la Russe, indeed.

FRIDAY

At 8.45 p.m., on Friday, there is a recorded "Broadcast of that popular opera of Leoncavallo, 'Il Pagliacci'." Little need arise for me to say that the "Prologue" & "Vesti la Giubba" must be amongst the best known music in the world.

No "tenore robusto"—worthy of the name—would ever dare confess that he had not attempted the famous "On with the Motley" Caruso, Gigli, Shippa, Martinelli, Ansenen, De Reszke, and so on ad infinitum have all sung and or recorded it. Strange to tell, the music is still attractive and it is certainly an aria whereby your tenor can show off his paces. Leoncavallo seems never to have equalled his success with "Pagliacci," on which his claim to fame, now rests almost completely.

MISS JOY HALL

MISS Hall, previously mentioned in these notes, was born in England and studied music and the cello at the Royal Academy of Music. Whilst there, she carried off all the prizes and scholarships and additionally achieved the distinction of being the only woman ever to win the International Bach/Beethoven scholarship. This scholarship is open to performers on any instrument, so that fact in itself bears testimony to Miss Hall's qualifications and musicianship.

Whilst in England, Miss Hall undertook many broadcasts for the BBC and has also played with the "Jacques String Orchestra," the Music of Camera Ensemble, and the Eborac Quartette. Unhappily, Miss Hall is only in the Colony for three months or so, and I hope ZBW will see to it that she is persuaded to perform over the Air as often as possible.

Incidentally, one question I asked Miss Hall was "Have you any views on Swing Music?" to which she merely but effectively replied, "Very few!"



60 U.S. BOMBERS ARRIVE IN BRITAIN

"Normal long-range flying training programme" in action.

The pictures on the left, lower left and below show the arrival of the first groups of 60 U.S. B-29 Superfortresses which arrived in Britain on July 17. The aircraft, accompanied by Skymaster transports carrying ground crews and equipment, make up the biggest-ever peacetime air armada to cross the Atlantic. The groups will be based on three Lincolnshire airfields, and are to remain in Britain for from three to five weeks before leaving for Germany. (AP Photos)

PATTERN OF AIR MIGHT (left): Spaced on the dispersals at Marham Aerodrome, Lincoln, are 10 of the Superfortresses, pictured from the air. Lower left: Air Vice Marshal Charles E. N. Guest, (centre) of Bomber Command, RAF, welcoming the crew members of the first Superfort to arrive at the RAF airfield in Lincolnshire, Scampton.

Below: Colonel John B. Henry, Group Commander, being greeted by Air Vice Marshal Guest. The pilot of the first plane to touch down is at left, Lt. Col. Kenneth Steele.



FIRST PICTURES OF THE GURKHAS IN ACTION AGAINST MALAYAN INSURGENTS

Men of the 7th Gurkha Rifles begin a sweep against insurgents in the jungle near Kuala Lumpur, capital of the Federation of Malaya, in early July. The Gurkhas were co-operating with police in combatting the recent bandit outbreaks. Four bandits were killed and 10 arrested in this sweep. (AP Photo)



SIR MAN-KAM LO (Centre) at the cocktail party given in his honour at the Sports Club recently. With him are Mr. S. K. Ngan (Acting Chairman, left) and Mr. R. K. Valentine. (Gainsborough Studio).



ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE Speech Day: Mr. E. G. Stewart, the principal of St. Paul's College, reading the annual report on July 20. St. Paul's College is in its third year as an experimental co-educational institution. (Mee Cheung).

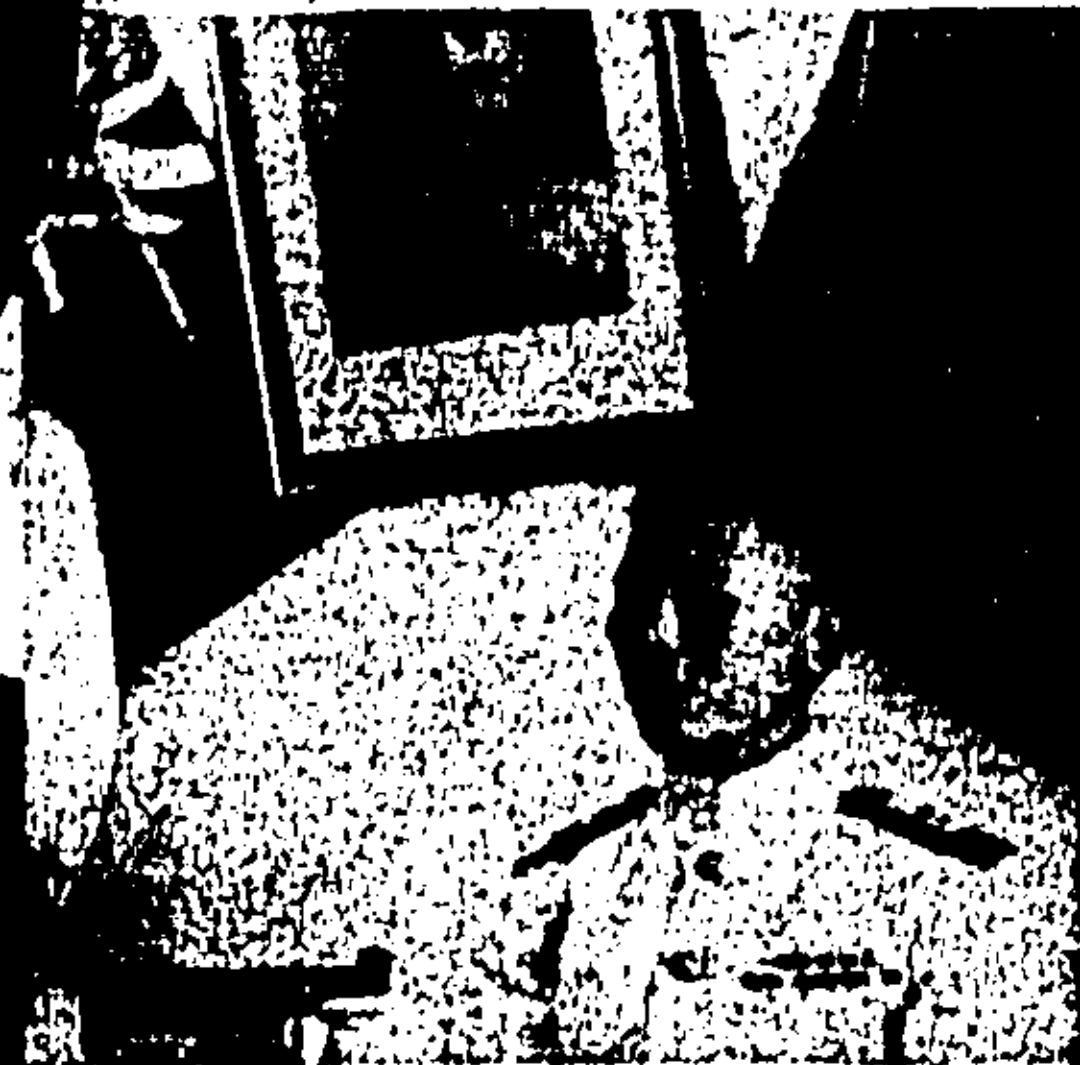


PRIZE-GIVING: Mr. M. G. O'Connor, Director of Education, distributed certificates and prizes at the St. Paul's College Speech Day. (Mee Cheung).



"ROCKET" RESCUE: Cheung Fat-sang, of the Sanitary Department, took the part of the swimmer in difficulties during a life-saving demonstration on July 19. The "Beach Rescue Set" was tested and Cheung was pulled to safety. (See story below)





REAR ADMIRAL Y. C. YANG, in Hong Kong as a representative of the Chinese Government to receive the gift of two warships from Great Britain, was welcomed at a party given by the members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. (Sun Ying Ming)



A GROUP of the Executive Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hong Kong, taken after the visit of the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, on July 23. (Sun Ying Ming)



INSPECTORS: Cheung and the four Beach Inspectors who took part in Monday's demonstration at Big Wave Bay. In front of them is the "Beach Rescue Set". (China Mail)

EXPERIMENT IN BEACH RESCUES

Thermally Pistol Rocket Line known as the "Beach Rescue Set". On July 19 a group of officials and beach inspectors tested the rocket at Big Wave Bay, recognised as the most dangerous beach in Hong Kong. The set, which costs HK\$500, is capable of shooting a rocket with a line of 150 yards. If the aim is true, the swimmer is pulled up on the line.

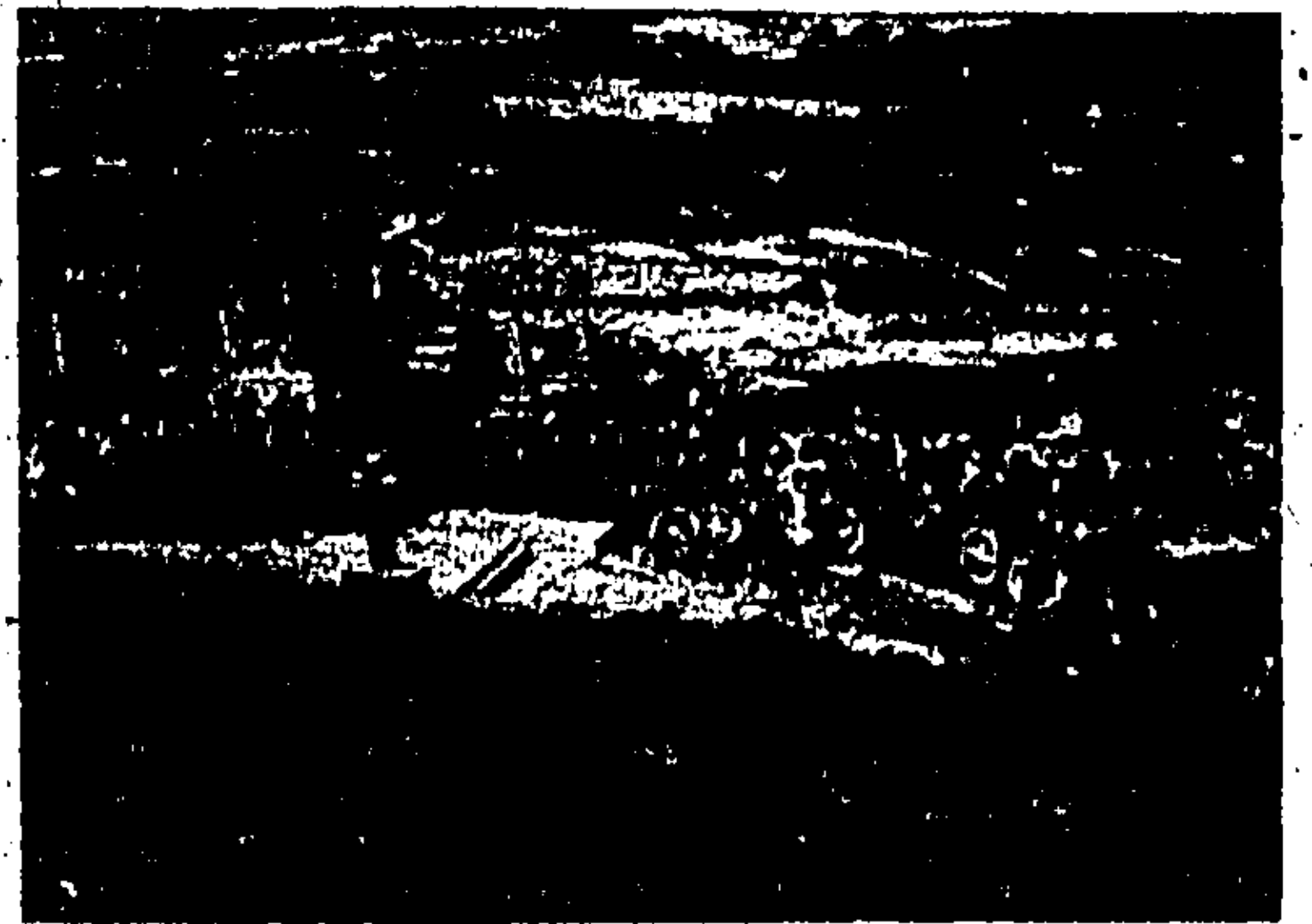
So far only one of these sets is available, that is at Big Wave Bay. There is, also, a scarcity of rockets in the Colony.

EXAMINATION: The photograph at upper left shows Mr. J. Reid, Acting Chairman of the Urban Council, examining the pistol after the rocket has been fired, watched by members of the party who joined in the experiment.

HAUL AWAY: A party of beach inspectors, who will be the future operators of the "Beach Rescue Set," hauling at the line. At the other end of the rope is the "victim", Cheung Fat-sang. (Both China Mail Photos)



IN MEMORY: Commissioner A. el Arcull (extreme left), officers, members and nurses of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, paying a visit to the grave of the late Commissioner A. Morris, on July 18. (Ka-Ming Chan)



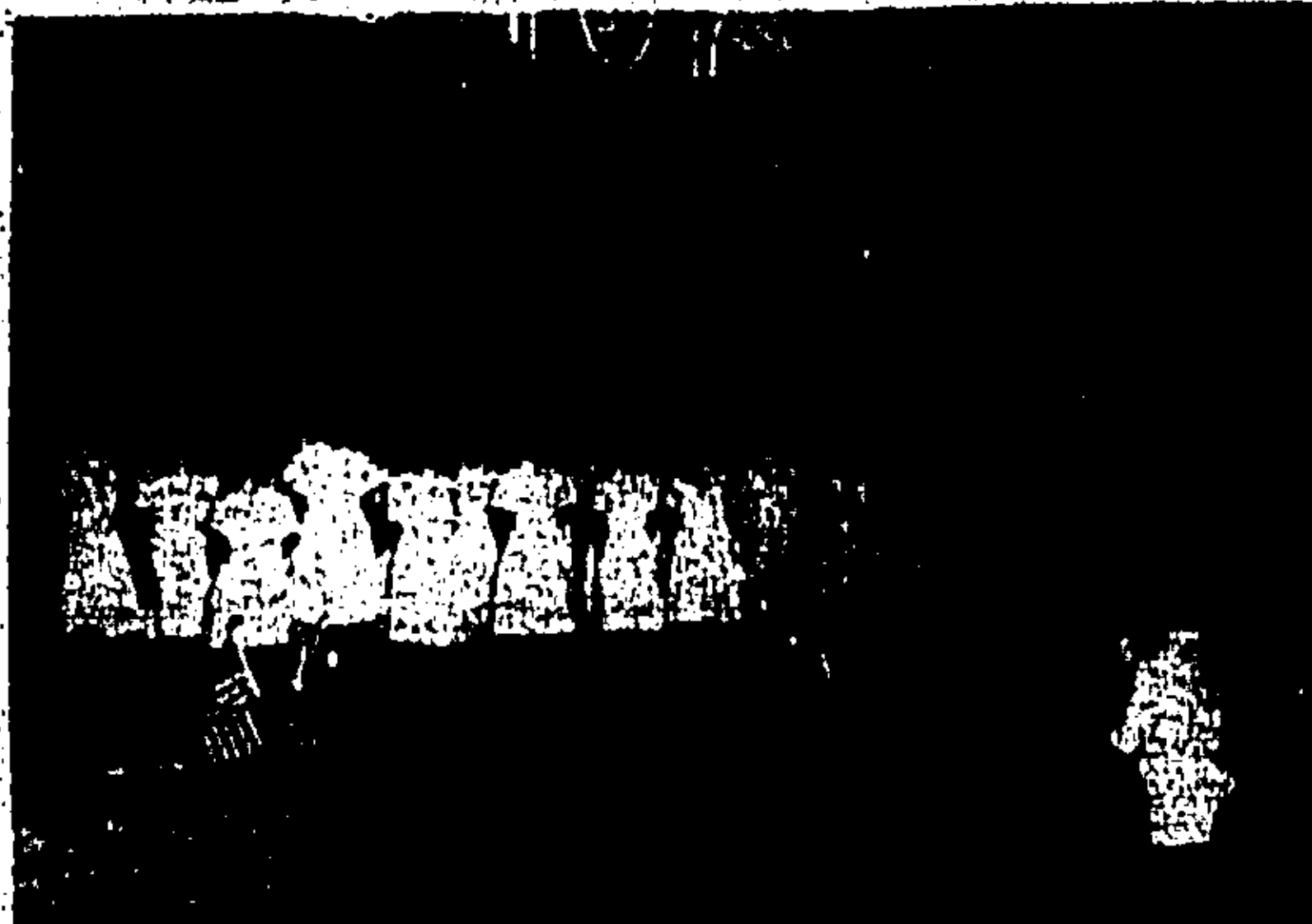
FROM THE HILL: Looking down at the group gathered to pay respect to the monument to the late Commissioner Morris of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade at Sun Him, Castle Peak. (Ka-Ming Chan)



"THE NURSERY RHYME LAND" being played by Classes 9A and 10A in the School Hall of the French Convent School on July 23 and 24. (Ming Yuen)



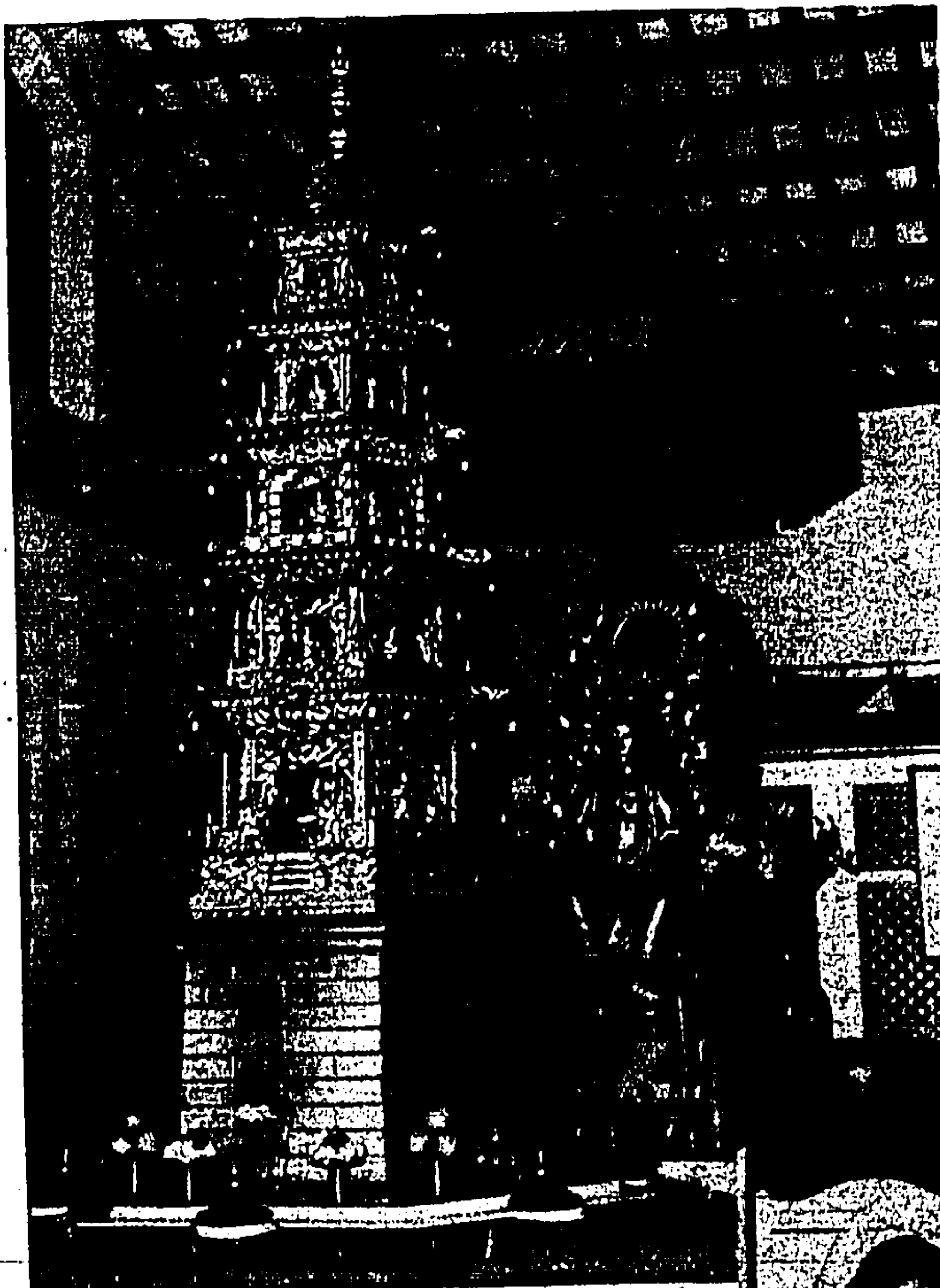
THE JUNIOR CLASSES go into their dance for "Tales from the Vienna Woods," a part of the programme put on by the French Convent School recently. (Ming Yuen)



THE SCHOOL CHOIR during the ninth item on the programme—Jubilee Song. They sang "Dashing Away With the Smoothing Iron," "Golden Slumber" and "Build This House." (Ming Yuen)



THE DRAMA: The classes of the French Convent School put on a drama, "The Reverse of the Medal," as a part of their show on July 23 and 24. (Ming Yuen)



PAGODA IN MINIATURE: This intricately carved gold-leaf pagoda, standing 8 ft. high, is in the Sai Lam Monastery at Shatin, N. T. It is a Good Wish pagoda, and its legend is the same as that of the Wishing Well—that wishes come true. (China Mail Photo)



CHRISTENING GROUP: Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Simpson, with their son, Michael John Currie, after Michael's christening on Saturday, July 17. (Gainsborough Studio)



AMERICAN CLUB RECEPTION: The former Miss Betty Lardell cutting the cake after her wedding to Mr. Warren John Goss at St. John's Cathedral on July 24. (China Mail)

REGISTRY WEDDING: Mr. Mervyn Colin Fern and Miss Agueda Ley, who were married at the Registry on July 21. (Mayfair Studio)

JOSLING-VERDER MARRIAGE: Mr. and Mrs. W. Josling after their marriage at Rosary Church on July 21. Mrs. Josling was formerly Miss Flora Wai Verder. (Mayfair Studio)



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AT MY TYPEWRITER...



This week's competition won the prize for the best suggestion sent in. Some of the other suggestions were also very good, and we plan to use them in future competitions.

And the winner? She is Betty Olas, of 58 Chancery Lane, Hong Kong. Congratulations, Betty, on a most ingenious idea. Your prize will be posted to you this week.

Here is some news you have all been waiting for--the H.C.C. certificates are now ready, and we will start posting them to you next week. That's something to look forward to, isn't it?

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Things to Make

Pink and blue paper flowers can be made to foretell the weather. You can make any kind of flowers you like, but use pink paper for blue flowers and blue paper for pink flowers. Put blue paper flowers in one bunch and pink flowers in another. Obtain a small quantity of chloride of cobalt in your chemist and dissolve it in water. Dip the flowers in this solution and hang them up to dry. If the solution is weak, the flowers may be dipped two or three times, but they must be held up to dry each time. Now when the barometer does its work! When the weather is going to be dry, the pink flowers will turn a purple shade; and the blue ones a green shade. If the weather remains pink and blue, the weather is indicated.

World Spotlight:

DOLL TELLS YOU

A casablanca shopkeeper has hit on an idea which is proving immensely popular with children and adults alike. Employing a staff of Moorish toy-makers, he keeps his shop stocked with a most remarkable assortment of dolls. "My plan is to provide something new in the way of toys," he told me. "My dolls are instructive. They teach you all sorts of things." Fascinated, I had a look round this shop, which rejoices in the name of "Poupées de la Monde" (Dolls of the World). There were Marie Antoinette, Louis XVI,

Joan of Arc, Napoleon and other figures of French history. There were dolls of all nations. The star doll was Monsieur Datas, whose portly figure contains hundreds of cards on which the answers to all sorts of questions are written. He stands on a machine that resembles a miniature typewriter. You press a series of buttons to ask your question, and the doll whisks the answer card from inside his cloak. (From G. D. K. McCormick, Tangier).

GUESSING COMPETITION

No, this isn't a painting competition. It is one for those who can look carefully. So put your thinking caps on, and off you go!



In the picture on the left there are many things which begin with "S". Make a list of these, and see how many you can find. Some of them are rather unexpected--so be warned!

The person who sends in the most correct list will be awarded the First Prize. If two entries have the same number of "S"s, neatness will be the deciding factor.

The Prizes will be--
First Prize \$10
Second Prize \$7
Third Prize \$5

and Twelve Consolation Prizes. Your entries must be in before Friday, August 6, accompanied by the slip below, with your name and age written clearly.

Name
Address
Age

Did You Know This?

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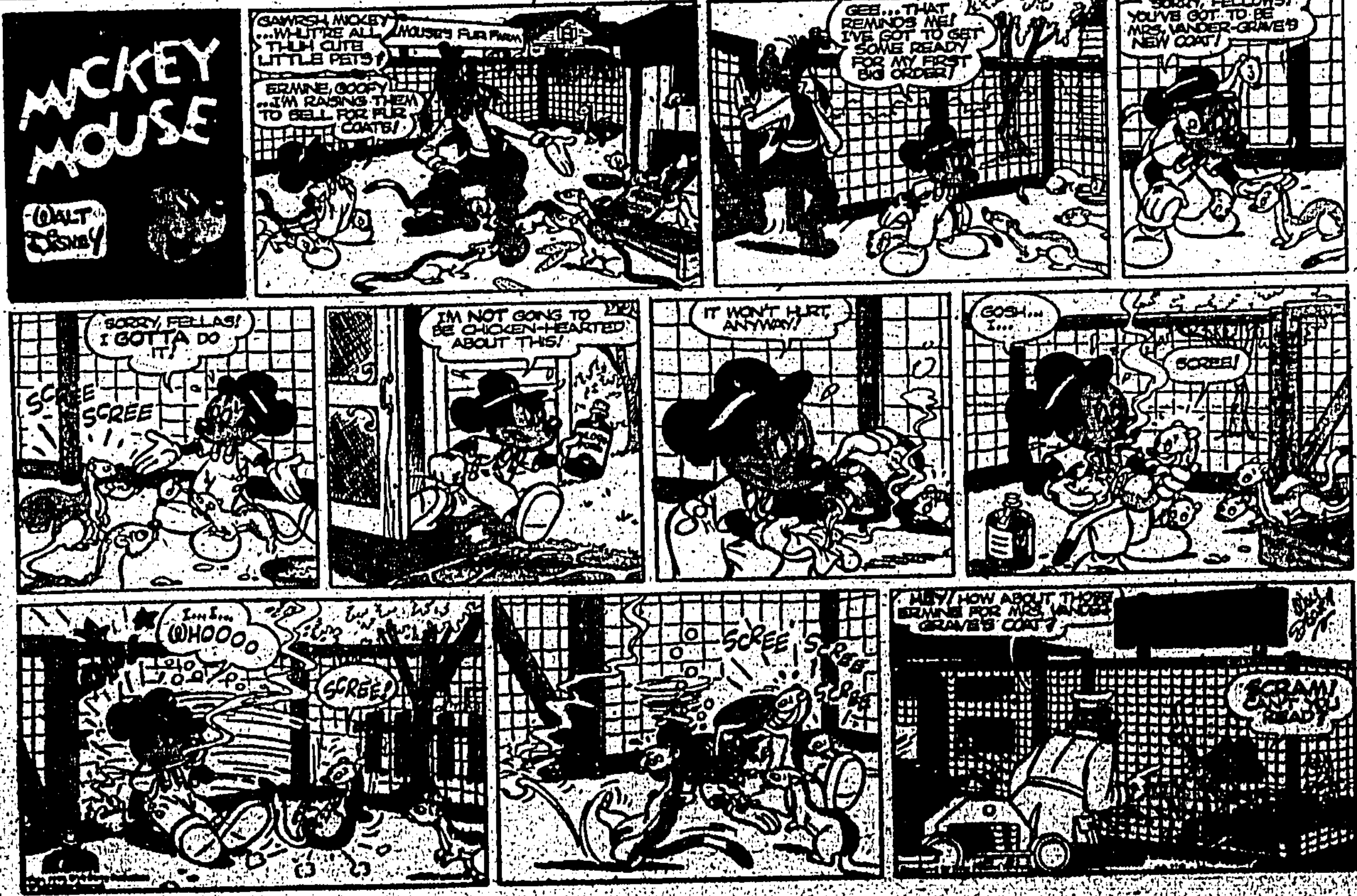
The National Safety Council of America reports that 35 per cent of all night traffic accidents are directly traceable to lack of proper illumination.

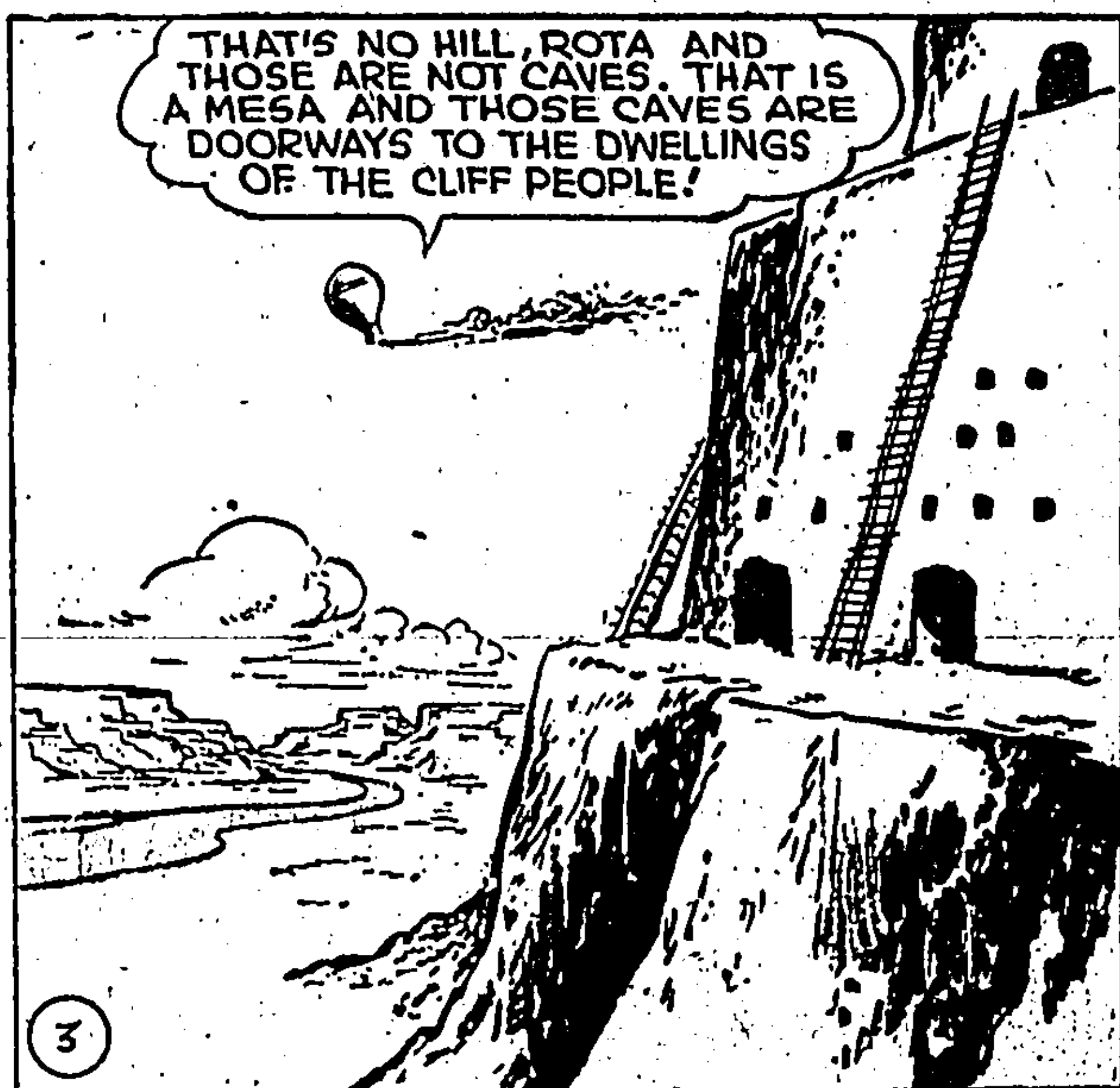
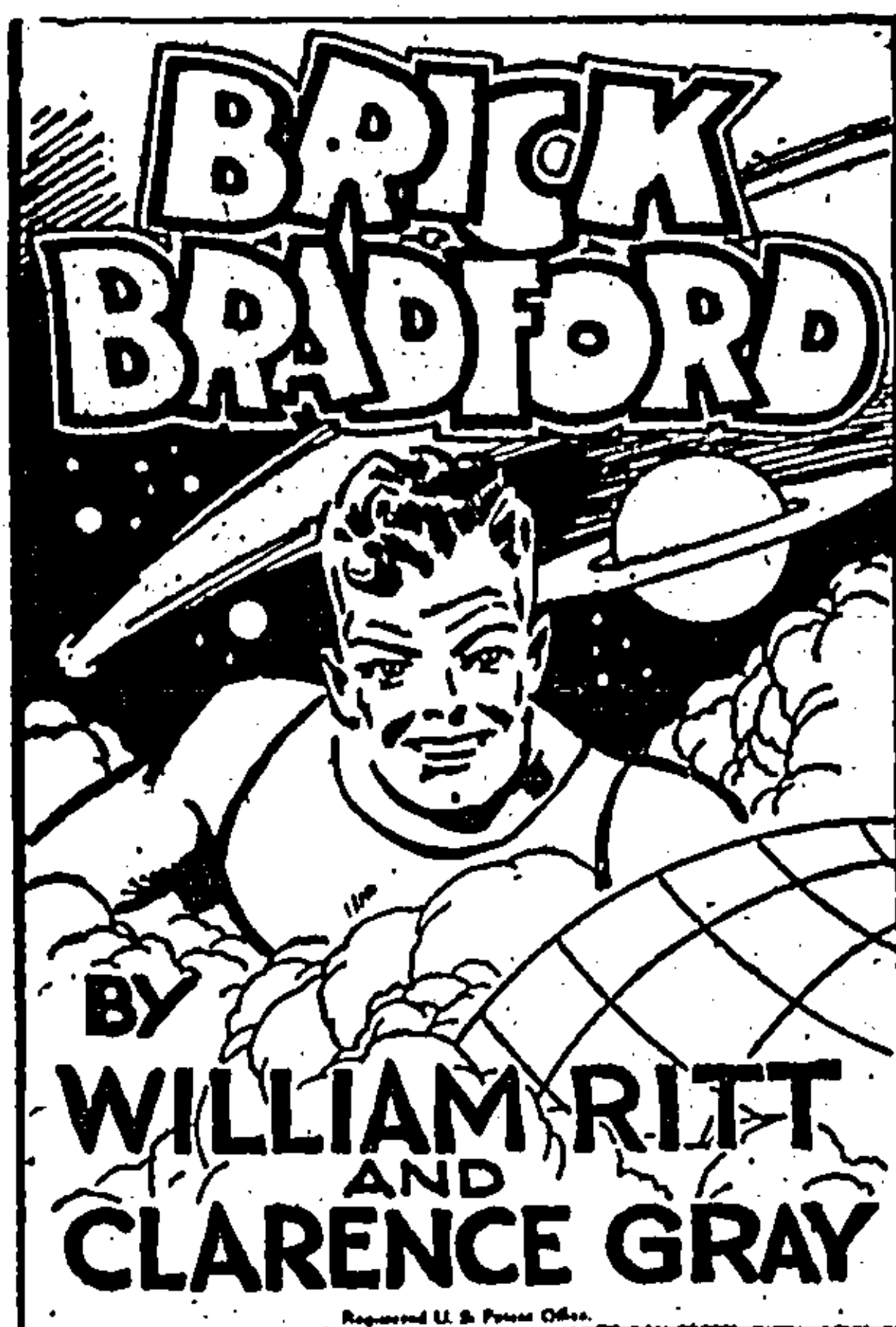
The telephone instrument represents only 6 per cent of all the plant and equipment needed

to provide a customer with telephone service.

More than 30 different crops are raised in Arizona's Valley of the Sun surrounding Phoenix (U.S.A.), including lettuce, carrots, cotton, tomatoes, citrus, cabbage, cantaloupes, broccoli, celery, dates, apricots and many others.

Many sidewalks in Rio de Janeiro are covered with black and white mosaic tile.





NEXT WEEK
PEOPLE
OF THE
CLIFFS

In The Mailbag

IRENE SMIRNOFF wants to become a member of the Herald Companions' Club, but has not filled in a form. Very soon, Irene, we are going to publish another entry form—we had hoped to print one every month for new members, but unfortunately we have not had enough space for this. Your name has gone down on the list, and you will receive your certificate shortly. Thank you for your interest, and the other suggestions in your letter.

SH'INA BUCHANAN sent us the notice of her twelfth birthday too late to include it last week. The drawing you enclosed was very well done, Sh'ina. We are afraid, though, that as it was coloured and not black-and-white, we cannot print it for you. But keep up the good work, and let us have some more of your contributions soon.

A. DE MELLO has written some very nice things about the Children's Herald. He likes American comic strips, particularly "Buz Sawyer," "Steve Canyon" and "Mandrake the Magician."

DESIREE OZORIO has sent in a contribution which we plan to use shortly. We will be very happy to hear from you again, Desi. Congratulations on your school report.

New Uses Being Found for Nylon

When nylon first made its public appearance it was popularly described as a fabric made of "coal, air and water." It now seems possible that nylon may find widespread use as a substitute for "coal" as a power source and to catch the "air" which drives boats through the "water."

For generations, cotton has been the material from which virtually all sails have been made. However, wartime and postwar cotton shortages have made it necessary to cast about for some other material to be used in sail-making.

Light And Strong

Nylon has been found to offer some definite advantages as a replacement for cotton as sail material.

Weight for weight, nylon is calculated to be about three times as strong as cotton. This makes possible the use of lighter sails on a sailing craft and the saving in weight results in greater ease in handling. Then, too, nylon sails are less bulky than the cotton sails they replace.

Compared with cotton, nylon sails are slippery. Wind slides over its surface freely, with less tendency to catch and drag. This characteristic is desirable in a hard blow.

A considerable saving of time and effort results from the fact that nylon sails can be stored wet without becoming mildewed. Cotton, on the other hand, must be dry when stored, for dampness invites mildew in that material.

WORD WISDOM

Land-lubber (land and lubber): A sailor's word for somebody who is not accustomed to the sea, and who is clumsy on board ships.

Myth (mith): A traditional story, or legend which deals with ancient gods or religious subjects. A myth is usually an untrue, or fictitious, story.

Shallow (shallo): Not deep. It is applied usually to water, to mean that the depth of the water is becoming less. Sometimes it is used about people, and a "shallow" person is one who does not think deeply on any subject, and who has no very deep feelings.

Irk (erk): To be annoying, to nag at somebody.

RUSTY RILEY

by FRANK GODWIN





LAURA

Laura is my dream girl.
Laura looks sweet.
Laura is the only girl
I always like to meet.
Though she isn't pretty;
Neither is she proud.
But she's the sweetest girl
I can say that aloud.
Some of her friends dislike her
But who cares what they say?
As long as she's my dream girl,
To me she's bright and gay.

Edith Mason (16), of Argyle Street, Kowloon, WINS**.

My Evening Walk

When it is late but rather light,
I take my evening walk;
I look on either side of me
And hear the flowers talk.

I look at all the big, tall trees,
Whose branches sway and swing,
I look on top of all the trees
And hear the birdies sing.

And when it's time to go to bed,
I wish again 'twas light,
And keep on looking at the flowers
Until they're out of sight.

(Josephine Eleazer (13), of "The Den," 2 Castle Steps, Hong Kong, wins ***)

Quotation Cuts

You have heard the beat of
the off-shore wind,
And the thresh of the deep-
sea rain:
You have heard the song—how
long? how long?
Pull out on the trail again!

—“The Long Trail,”
by Rudyard Kipling.

Crossword Solution

Across:—1. Stones, 5. Era, 6. Tar, 7. Yap, 10. Cede, 11. Vassar.
Down:—1. Set, 3. Car, 4. Sim-
per, 7. Yes, 8. Ada, 9. T. V., 10. CS.

Girls of Cliffdale

THE WAY OF A TOMBOY

PART XIV
Billy felt the water rushing into her ears as she struggled desperately to rise to the surface. She was surprised to find that both her arms were free, and she could move her legs easily. She had escaped the tangle.

She struck out, weakly at first, but with longer, swifter strokes as she got her breath. Then, treading water, she tossed back her long hair and looked about her.

The crowded punt with the gipsies had vanished—and so, too, had the canary-coloured boat. “They can’t have sunk!” thought the tomboy vaguely trying to link up the strange adventure from the beginning.

“Something must have scared the gang—and they must have got for their lives! But where could they get to?”

As far as she could see down the river there was not a sign of a punt or a boat. She glanced at the bank to the right—and blinked in amazement. This was most extraordinary. Why, here she was, back at the original spot. She turned her head and saw the rocks on which she had been sitting in the sun—

and there, too, was the waterfall, like a silver curtain.

How lucky, she reasoned, that she had fallen from the boat just here. Then, trembling with the sudden thought that perhaps the gipsies might return any minute, she made for the rocks.

As she climbed the rocks she heard a voice calling loudly: “Coo-ee! Coo-ee!” It was the voice of Olive Sullivan! That scheming, treacherous gipsy! Billy bit her under-lip and paused. No, she would not hide—not from a thousand gangs of gipsies. No doubt they were all up here, ready to surround her. Well, she’d show them! This time she wouldn’t scrub decks and be bullied. She’d tell them just what she thought of them.

(To be continued)

Sort Out These Jumbled Words

How many stories of ancient gods and goddesses have you read? If you haven’t read many, now is the time to start. Mixed up with the myths of the gods, you will find legends which have persisted as tales right through the ages—the story of Perseus, the story of Jason and the Golden Fleece, the story of Icarus, who tried to fly on waxen wings. Here are the names of some of these gods, and some of the heroes of old legends, with the letters changed round. See how many you know without looking at the answers, below.

Jumbled Words
RJEUPTI NSAUSRSOI
ESERO SEETUBH
SMADBU SAEGHLLI
Jupiter, Cronus, Medusa, Ne-
ptunus, Thetis, Achilles

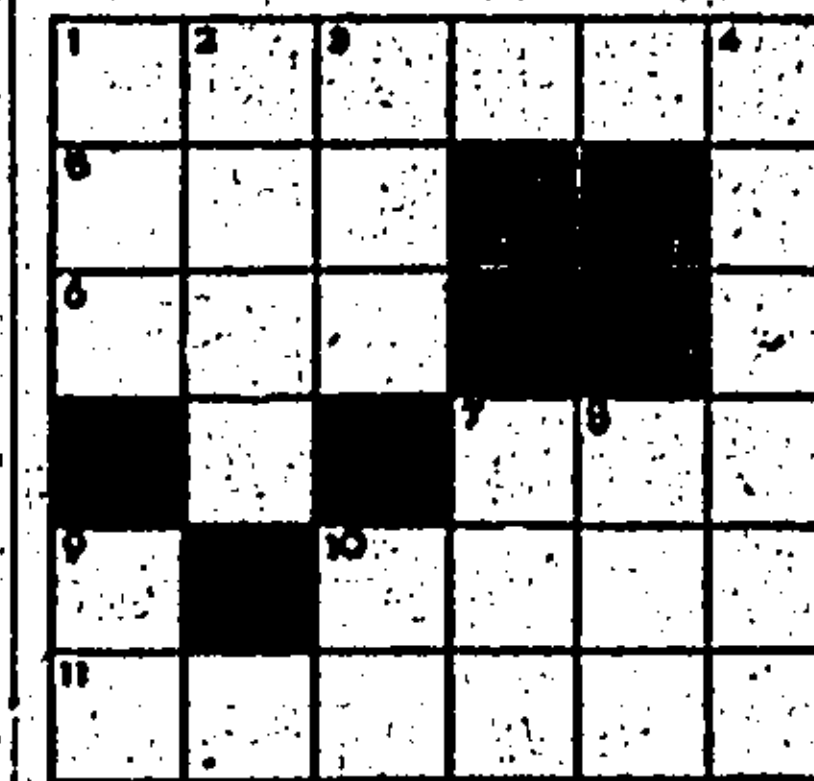
Answers
Topsy-turvy, Bubbles, Lullaby, Lullaby, Lullaby

THE WALK IN THE WOODS

Two boys named Bob and Tom decided one day to go for a walk in the woods, although they had been forbidden to go there by their parents.

They started out right after breakfast, and didn’t rest for two hours. When they finally came to a stream they stopped, and after filling their canteens they started out again. They went on for some time without a word, and then Bob said, “I’m hungry,” Tom said, “Do you always have to be hungry every time we go some place?”

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues

- ACROSS**
- Hard lumps in soil.
 - An age.
 - Sticky substance.
 - A sharp bark.
 - Give in to.
 - Famous American girls’ college.
- DOWN**
- To go hard.
 - Ambush.
 - Scull.
 - To act shyly.
 - Affirmative.
 - Girl’s name.
 - Tennessee Valley (abbrev.)
 - College Society (abbrev.)

(Solution in Column 1)

“Well, I’m hungry just the same.” “You’ll just have to wait until we get home again.”

It began to get dark, and Tom said, “I guess we’d better get back home.” “Yes,” agreed Bob. “Let’s go, but which way do we go?” “I thought you knew,” said Tom.

“No, I thought you did.” “Well, I think it’s this way.” “No, this way!” said Bob. After arguing a while they took Bob’s way. By this time it was pitch black and they stumbled over rocks and sticks. Bob said to Tom, “You know something?”

“What?”

“We’re lost.”

“I thought so, too. What shall we do?”

“I don’t know,” said Bob. “I’m afraid!”

“So am I. Whatever we do, stay close together and keep talking. That way the animals won’t bother us.”

After a while it began to rain, and lightning bolts shot from the sky. The boys went on further and found a cave. They went in and looked around. Suddenly Tom shouted: “Look out!” Bob jumped back, to see two green eyes staring at them. They ran out of the cave as fast as they could, and they see the pair of green eyes following them. They started screaming and crying.

In the distance a mounted policeman heard the cries and came up quickly. Just as the creature that was following them was about to jump on them, a shot rang out. The eyes disappeared, and they heard a thud on the ground. The policeman rode up, putting his gun back into his holster.

He put the boys on his horse and rode out of the woods. The boys told him where they lived, and he took them home. They got a scolding, but they learnt their lesson the hard way. After that they listened to their parents.

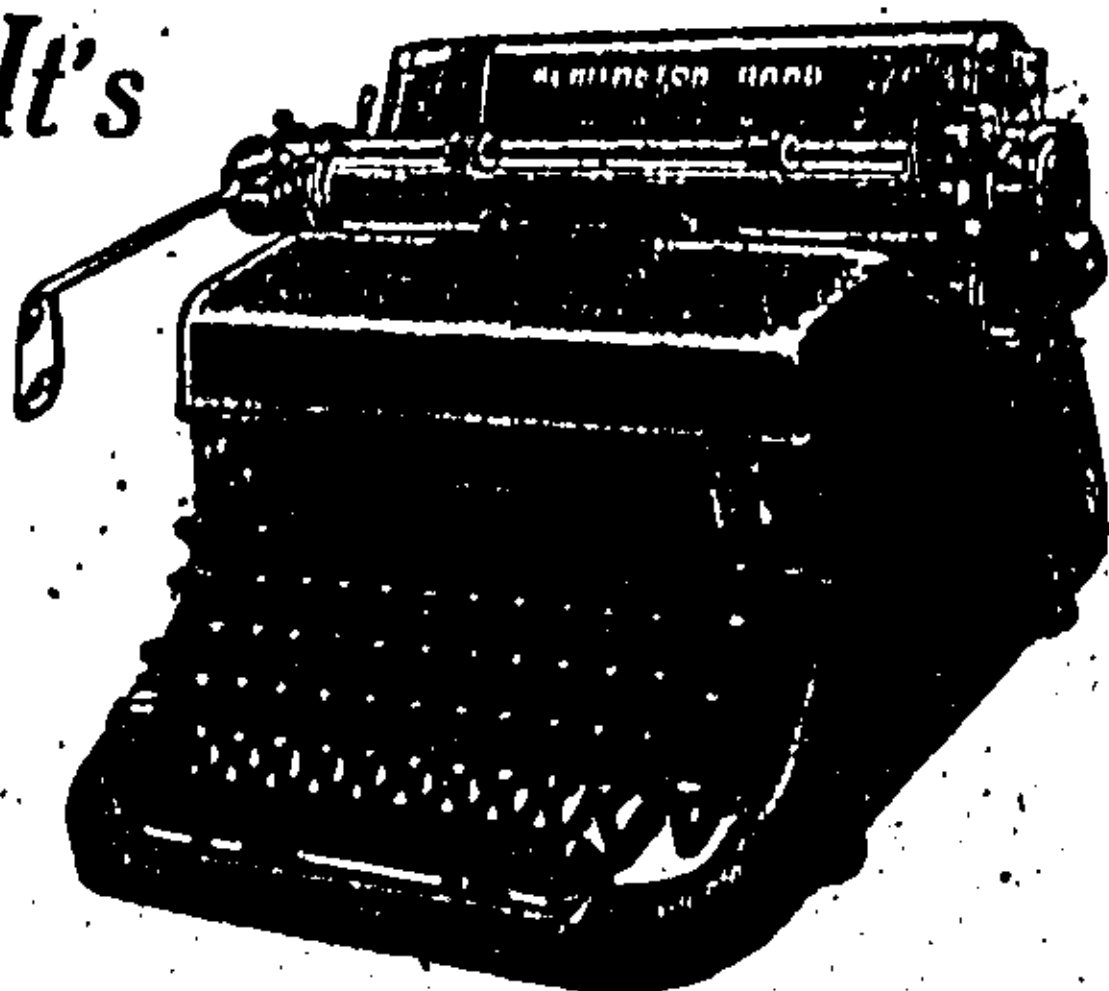
(Ralph Ridge (10), of Lytton House, Mody Road, Kowloon, wins**)

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Health Page PLAN TO DEFEAT DISEASE BOMB

Kemsley Newspapers Special Correspondent—TANGIER.
Sweltering under the blistering Saharan sun, a group of scientists has for some months past been conducting experiments upon which the whole fate of civilisation may at some time depend.

Working in the utmost secrecy, their task has been to find an answer to all the dreaded weapons of our era—the atom bomb, gas warfare and the deadliest of all, the bacteriological bomb.

American, French and Belgian scientists have pooled their information and resources to carry out this research, which is reputed to have considerable financial backing from the U.S.A. Theirs is a non-political, non-governmental agency which aims ultimately at giving Western Europe and the United States a new basis for an overall strategy.

I have spoken to one of the leaders of the group, a Belgian-scientist of distinction who wishes to remain anonymous under the title of Monsieur Leroux.

"There is nothing very sensational about our work. Most of it is routine experiment followed by careful documentation. Naturally, at this stage, it is all very hush-hush, and beyond saying that our secret station was situated 'somewhere in Africa,' I cannot give you any details."

Monsieur Leroux was, however, prepared to talk about the aims of his group.

"We have broadly speaking, three main aims," he said. "The first is to study all possibilities for defence against such weapons as the atomic bomb and the bacteriological bomb. The second is to produce a defensive bomb which will be an antidote to the latter."

"The third, and by far the most important of our aims, is to gather sufficient data to enable the governments of the democracies to get together in a common, strategic and defensive programme."

Monsieur Leroux admitted that so far no adequate answer to the atomic bomb had been found. "But we are not pessimistic on this score," he said, "because we believe that in a few years the atomic bomb will become an archaic weapon. Already there is evidence that it is being superseded by the bacteriological bomb."

"The latter is the real menace to civilisation. It can do far more damage over a wider area without proving such an obstacle to occupying armies. Our progress in finding an answer to this newer and deadlier weapon is greater than we dared at one time to hope."

M. Leroux said that a scientific investigation committee of which he was a member discovered that within three days of the Russians entering Berlin they took back to Russia a team of German scientists who had been working on new war weapons.

"Later we got information that the German scientists had been installed in an industrial city in eastern Russia and, under close Soviet supervision, had been permitted to carry on their experiments. One of these scientists who escaped to Sweden told us that as a result of this Russia had obtained the formula for a new secret, silent weapon."

Throk Bacilli

"The full details of this we do not yet know, but it is pretty definite that among the secrets so obtained by the Soviet is the manufacture of an thrak bacilli and what is called a botulism bomb."

The toxin of botulism is one of the deadliest known to mankind. Sixty pounds of it would be sufficient to wipe out the entire human race. It is a counter-bomb to this which the research group wishes to produce.

"We must not allow the atomic bomb to become a sort of red herring which will distract our attention from even worse weapons," continued M. Leroux. "Otherwise all the atom bombs in the world will not save us from destruction."

"Our experiments lead us to believe that the answer will be a kind of 'incubation bomb' which will render whole areas safe against bacteriological warfare. These would be used both for home defence and for covering the advance of our own armies."

M. Leroux believes that the chief obstacle to a common Western European strategy, the lack of which is causing unfavourable criticism in the United States, is indecisiveness among the various chiefs of staff as to what the basis of such a strategy should be.

"New war weapons have left our military strategists hopelessly behind the times," he said. "Unless Western Europe pools its scientific research as well as its military knowledge, we are doomed. What is desperately needed is a new, sound scientific defensive system which will give us security."

French military circles in North Africa are reticent on the subject of Saharan experiments. They will neither deny nor confirm the existence of research stations. But reports from Algiers, Bakar and Liberia all tend to confirm that Africa is being used as a testing ground for revolutionary methods of scientific warfare.

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FLUORIDES AND TEETH

Teeth are just as bright and attractive as their enamel or protective covering, and now some American dentists seem to have discovered one factor which governs both the thickness of tooth enamel and its resistance to decay or cavity formation.

It started some thirty years ago in the small Texas town of Hereford in Deaf Smith County. A young dentist, fresh from school, started practice in a community whose growing population should have meant prosperity. But it became shortly apparent that these people seldom, if ever, developed tooth decay. There just were not enough fillings to keep a dentist busy: so this young man decided to devote his plentiful leisure to finding why—and eventually he and his colleagues, by a comparative study in many communities over many years, were able to prove that the little known class of chemicals called fluorides had an important part in preventing tooth decay.

Analyses were performed on the water supply in numerous communities of Illinois, Colorado, Ohio, Texas and Indiana. The teeth of thousands of children and adults in each place were examined for tooth decay. Where municipal drinking water contained less than one part per million of fluoride salts, tooth decay was found to be four times more common than elsewhere. In certain parts of Texas and Illinois, in which the fluoride content of the drinking water varied between one and two parts per million, tooth decay was found to be relatively rare.

In certain parts of Texas, Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas, it was found that black or pitted teeth occurred in children due to a lack of enamel formation apparently relating to an excess of fluorides of more than two parts per million in the drinking water supply.

Changes in tooth enamel formation mechanism occurred during the first few years of life; after that, a diet properly adjusted for fluorides had little influence on enamel formation. But even adults were found to be able to check tooth decay by the addition to their diet of food and water containing adequate fluoride content.

The fluorides, salts of hydro-fluoric acid, were known to the alchemists of the middle ages due to one peculiar property—their ability to dissolve glass—and they are used to this day for etching purposes. In chemistry, they have seldom been used as special lead or paraffin containers are necessary, but modern atomic research has brought forth a new group of chemical compounds, the fluoroparaffins, which may become important in industry.

Credit is due Dr. J. Crichton-Browne for work on tooth culture in England published in the "Lancet" in 1922. Dr. H. Trendelenburg, Dean of the National Institute of Health, U.S. Public Health Service, Bethesda, Maryland, E.J. McClure, PhD, Senior Biochemist, Division of Infectious Diseases, National Institute of Health, U.S.P.H.S. and Dentist S.G. Harcourtlan D.M.D. Worcester, Mass. for exhaustive investigation work on fluorides in the prevention of tooth decay. Dr. Dean developed in the study of diseases, in masses of people, the same deductive processes used by Dr. Ehrlich several decades ago in the development of arsenic compounds for syphilis.

American cities have been quick to appreciate the economic advantage of preventing tooth decay.

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QUIZ ANSWERS

1. M. Andre Marie. (28.7.48)
2. Gus Lesnevich. (27.7.48)
3. Wing Commander Donald Finlay. (28.7.48)
4. Typhoon Rose. (28.7.48)
5. HMS Aurora and Mandip have been changed to Chungking and Ding Fu respectively. (29.7.48)
6. (a) 59 (b) July 29 (c) King George.

Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the B.B.C. in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:—
(All times given below are local Summer Time).

B.B.C. LONDON		
(GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE)		
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	15.84 metres	19.82 metres
7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.	15.82 metres	19.84 metres
10.00 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.	15.84 metres	19.82 metres
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.	25.84 metres	19.82 metres
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	19.82 metres	15.84 metres
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	15.86 metres	19.82 metres
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	15.86 metres	19.82 metres
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	15.92 metres	19.84 metres
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 a.m.	15.84 metres	19.82 metres

News Bulletin are broadcast at 10.00 a.m., 12.00 p.m., 1.15 p.m. (dictation speed), 2.00 p.m., 4.00 p.m., 5.00 p.m., 8.00 p.m., 12.00 p.m., 1.00 a.m. on the wavelengths indicated above.

Relays of news broadcasts from the B.B.C. in London, as well as other English-language programmes, can be heard by listeners over the following stations:—

RADIO SEAC Ceylon		
19.84 metres	49.38 metres	
21.61 metres	85.2 metres	
16.86 metres		

News relays may be heard at the following times:—8.00 p.m. and 1.00 a.m. from Monday to Friday and also at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday on the wavelengths indicated above.

RADIO SINGAPORE		
44.31 metres	25.875 metres	
20.98 metres	19.61 metres	

RADIO ROUNDABOUT

Voyages of discovery are of interest to listeners of all ages in all parts of the world, and for the next six weeks a series of talks will be placed in 'Radio Roundabout' in the Eastern Service on Saturdays at 11.30 p.m. which will bring stories from far and wide. 'Voyages of Discovery' begins this week with the immortal story of Robert Falcon Scott who sailed with his companions to the Antarctic. They did not return. The second story is told by the adventurer himself, Owen Tweedy, who was for many years a newspaper correspondent in the Middle East. In the third week we take Eastern listeners under the earth in France, to hear the adventures of the Frenchman Norbert Casteret who is a famous explorer of caves, and a brilliant writer on this subject.

The fourth story is told by British schoolchildren who went with the expedition of the British Schools Exploring Society to help map unknown territory in Newfoundland. The fifth week carries a story of exploration and adventure in Brazil, and the last programme describes a recent expedition which, in charge of a Danish professor, has been working to discover the formation and shape of the bed of the Indian Ocean.

'THE WEBB PARTNERSHIP'

This week's selection from the B.B.C.'s Third Programme, to be heard in the Eastern Service on Monday at 11.30 p.m., is an appreciation by Malcolm Muggeridge of 'The Webb Partnership'. His talk on Beatrice and Sidney Webb, early members of the Fabian Society, is based on his own recollections and on Beatrice Webb's autobiography, of which the second volume 'Our Partnership' was recently published in Britain.

Sunday, August 1

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 FOCUS ON THE BOY SCOUTS—Written by Keith Thomson
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
10.15	RING UP THE CURTAIN—BBC Theatre Orchestra, conducted by Stanford Robinson. Excerpts from Manuel de Falla's Ballets 'Love, the Magician' and the 'Three Corners Hat'
11.45	THE OLYMPIC GAMES—A report

B.B.C. Highlights

P.M.	12.45 'THE CHURCHES AT WORK TOGETHER'—In 'Evangelism' by the Rev. Bryan S. W. Green
1.30	BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult
3.15	TIME FOR WORSHIP from an Edinburgh Studio conducted by the Rev. Ronald Selby Wright
3.45	GLAMORGANSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA—Cricket: A summary
4.00	THE NEWS
4.15	LISTENERS' CHOICE
5.30	SUNDAY SERVICE from St. Paul's Cathedral, London, conducted by the Venerable O. H. Gibbs-Smith, Archdeacon of London
8.00	THE NEWS
8.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
9.15	TWENTY QUESTIONS
10.15	SWEET—SERENADE—Peter Yorke and his Concert Orchestra

Monday, August 2

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME: 'The Webb Partnership'—Malcolm Muggeridge gives an appreciation of Beatrice and Sidney Webb
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
10.15	THE STORYTELLER: 'A Cask of Amontillado' by Edgar Allan Poe
11.45	LANDMARKS OF BRITAIN—17: 'Petticoat Lane', by Alan Melville

1.30	VARIETY BANDBOX, from the Hippodrome, Golders Green, Artists include: Robert Moreton, Ivy Fence, Derek Roy, Terry Thomas, and Vincent Tildesley's Masteringers
3.15	LISTENERS' CHOICE
4.45	MAINLY FOR WOMEN
5.15	THE WAXWORKS MYSTERY—Thriller for broadcasting by Charles Hutton
6.00	CHILDREN SINGING—The Godolphin and Latimer School Choir, Hammersmith, Conductor: E. Beryl Cooke
7.30	FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME: 'Piano or Harpsichord?'—Clifford Curzon and Lucille Wallace discuss and illustrate the respective merits of the use of piano and harpsichord in the keyboard literature of different periods
8.15	HENRY HALL'S GUEST NIGHT—from the Jubilee Theatre Blackpool
9.30	'UP THE POLE' with Jimmy Jewel and Ben Warriss, Claude Dampier, Jon Pertwee, Betty Paul, FIVE Smith Brothers, Guest artist: Norman Shelley. The Dance Orchestra conducted by Stanley Black
10.45	BRITISH INDUSTRY—A talk by William Holt
11.00	RADIO NEWSREEL
11.15	BANK HOLIDAY SPORT, including commentaries on The Olympic Games: Cricket, Racing

Tuesday, August 3

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 'THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS' from the book by Lewis Carroll—S. 'Queen Alice'
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
11.15	JAZZ INTERLUDE—Small band jazz and swing—Introduced by Rex Harris
11.45	THE OLYMPIC GAMES—A report

P.M.	12.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN—BBC Theatre Orchestra; Conductor: Walter Goehr; Excerpts from Russian Operas
1.30	BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Gilbert Vinter, Muriel Liddle (piano)
3.45	GLAMORGANSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA—Cricket: A summary
7.00	SCIENCE REVIEW
7.15	PIANO PLAYTIME—Arthur Young at the piano
9.15	THE KENTUCKY MINSTRELS—A black-faced minstrel show
10.00	THE NEWS
10.15	CHILDREN SINGING—The Cowlairs (Scotland) Cooperative Junior Choir, Conductor: Agnes Duncan, John Tainsh (tenor)
10.45	BRITISH FARMER—A. G. Street on the 1947 Agriculture Act in relation to the traditional idea of landlord and tenant
11.00	RADIO NEWSREEL

Wednesday, August 4

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 LONDON FORUM
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
11.45	THE OLYMPIC GAMES—A report
P.M.	1.30 LISTENERS' CHOICE
1.45	Brian Reece and Joyce Shelton in 'THE ADVENTURES OF P.C. 42' with Leslie Perrins—The Case of the Identical Twins
2.30	COUNTRY QUESTIONS—Listeners' questions about the countryside answered by a team of experts: Brian Vesey-FitzGerald, Eric Hobbs, and Ralph Wightman; Question Master: Jack Longland
3.15	BAND OF THE COLDSTREAM GUARDS—Conductor: Captain D. Pope
3.45	GLAMORGANSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA—Cricket: A summary
5.30	PROGRESS IN NORTHERN IRELAND—The Linen Industry
6.00	BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult, Frederick Thurston (clarinet), Festival Overture (Rubbra), Concerto for clarinet and orchestra (Stanford)
7.00	REPORT FROM BRITAIN
7.15	LISTENERS' CHOICE
8.15	BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Mansel Thomas
9.30	MERRY GO ROUND MELODIES
10.45	PIANO PLAYTIME
11.00	RADIO NEWSREEL
11.15	BAND PARADE

Thursday, August 5

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.	10.00 THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
11.15	BAND OF THE COLDSTREAM GUARDS. Conductor: Captain D. Pope
11.45	THE OLYMPIC GAMES. A report
P.M.	12.15 THE KENTUCKY MINSTRELS
1.30	VOICE OF THE VIOLIN featuring David Wolfsthal
3.30	SANDY MACPHERSON AT THE THEATRE ORGAN
3.45	WARWICKSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA. Cricket: A summary
P.M.	6.00 THE STORY OF ROBIN HOOD. Some of the oldest legends, freely translated for radio and produced by Edward Livesey. Music composed by Ruth Gipps. Orchestra conducted by Harold Gray

7.00	THE BALANCE OF EUROPE
7.15	REMEMBER WHEN? A triangular reminiscence conducted by Paula Green
9.30	TIP-TOP TUNES. Geraldo and his Orchestra
10.15	SOFT LIGHTS AND SWEET MUSIC with Carroll Gibbons directing his Sweet Music and Ida Shepley (contralto)
10.45	MAINLY FOR WOMEN
11.00	RADIO NEWSREEL
11.15	BRITISH CONCERT HALL. Conducted and presented by Charles Groves, BBC Northern Orchestra Harold Williams (baritone) Overture 'Theodora'.....Handel, arr. Jacob 'Dover Beach' for baritone and orchestra.....Maurice Johnstone. Symphony No. 4 in B flat.... Beethoven

Friday, August 6

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 'LONDON MIRROR'. Reflections of life and thought in London today
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
11.45	THE OLYMPIC GAMES. A report
P.M.	1.30 TWENTY QUESTIONS
2.00	LISTENERS' CHOICE
2.30	BOOKS TO READ
3.45	WARWICKSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA. Cricket: A summary
4.15	'STAND EASY!'
5.15	SPORTS BULLETIN
5.30	THE STREET WE LIVE IN. A story of life in London week by week
6.00	NEW RECORDS. Presented by Spike Hughes
8.15	QUEEN'S HALL LIGHT ORCHESTRA. Conductor: Sidney Torch

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10.15	BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA. Conductor: Ian Whyte. Symphony No. 41 in C (The Jupiter) Mozart
10.45	THE UNIVERSITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH: THE OXFORD CONGRESS. Fourth of six talks
11.00	RADIO NEWSREEL
11.15	SCOTTISH MAGAZINE
11.45	CARL BARRITEAU and his Orchestra

Saturday, August 7

EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.	11.30 RADIO ROUNDABOUT
A.M.	GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
10.00	THE NEWS
10.10	HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN
10.15	PLEASURE PARADE. Introduced by Lionel Gamlin
10.30	TIP-TOP TUNES
P.M.	12.15 WALTER GERRARD AND THE HARROGATE MUNICIPAL LIGHT ORCHESTRA Lealie Earl (baritone)
1.30	Elele and Doris Waters on Tour with GERT AND DAISY'S WORKING PARTY. Guest artist: Jimmy Edwards, also local talent from Bermuda
2.15	THE OLYMPIC GAMES. A report
3.45	WARWICKSHIRE v. AUSTRALIA. Cricket: A summary
5.15	SPORTS BULLETIN
5.30	CALLING ALL SPORTSMEN
7.00	WORLD AFFAIRS
7.30	SCOTTISH MAGAZINE
9.10	LANCASHIRE v. AUSTRALIA. Cricket: A commentary
11.00	SATURDAY SPORT including commentaries on The Olympic Games; Cricket; Lancashire v. Australia (Programme announcements and Music included in this period)

All Times Are H.K. Summer Time

New Books

Cesare Borgia Steps Out Of His Frame

To the average Englishman the name "Borgia," if it means anything at all, usually conjures up a single vivid picture.

It is that of a dinner-party with a background of doom. A handsome, bearded young man, in the magnificent apparel of the late 15th or early 16th century, is pressing on his apprehensive guest an enormous jewelled goblet. The guest looks increasingly doubtful and murmurs miserably that he has work to do in the morning and, much as he appreciates the hospitality

By PETER QUENNELL

offered him, it is really time he thought of home; at which a beautiful, fair-haired young woman appears with fresh persuasions.

The guest shudders, then accepts his fate. Meanwhile Alexander VI., worst of all the wicked Popes, the acknowledged father of Cesare and Lucrezia, looms malevolently in the middle distance.

One Man's Hero

Such is the legend; but like most legends it rests upon a fairly slender basis. Cesare Borgia was certainly a violent character who, in pursuit of his political aims, was prepared to administer poison, employ hired assassins, and use other desperate stratagems. But were those aims utterly misguided? Nicolo Machiavelli, the first philosophic exponent of modern power-politics, of the doctrine that the end justifies the means, adopted him as a hero.

Borgia, he wrote, had "a great spirit and vast designs" and "could not have acted otherwise in his circumstances."

Now a contemporary novelist enters the field. Nigel Balchin does not attempt to whitewash this sanguinary adventurer, but does his best to remove some of the thick layers of varnish with which his portrait has been covered.

The Borgia Testament is the Daily Mail Book of the Month, and undoubtedly one of the most interesting historical novels to emerge since Robert Graves, who shares Balchin's gift of making historical personages credible and understandable, began his "Claudius" series.

The author is a practised storyteller; but I am glad to say that, in-

stead of weaving fiction around a core of facts, he uses it as a method of interpreting and understanding them.

Cesare Borgia, it is true, might now and then be surprised by the figure that he cuts here. The language he speaks is curiously modern, and there are occasions when his turn of sentiment seems more characteristic of a 20th-century novelist than of a fierce Renaissance prince. If Lucrezia Borgia ever "wrinkled her nose convulsively," I feel pretty sure that her brother did not notice it, or that, if he noticed it, the expression did not touch him!

Flesh-and-Blood

Yet the effect of the book as a whole is convincing and impressive. Cesare Borgia steps out of his frame and comes striding towards us clothed in energetic flesh-and-blood.

Most of the other characters are equally well presented. Not Lucrezia, perhaps. In spite of the careful account he gives of her Nigel Balchin does not quite succeed, at least so far as I am concerned, in making clear her state of mind.

Cesare loved her, but he did not hesitate to have the husband she adored assassinated on his sick-bed. Nor did Lucrezia, having dried her eyes, hesitate to attend a party which Cesare gave in her honour, and at which 50 celebrated Roman courtiers amused the company by dancing naked.

No, Lucrezia was not a modern woman, and the attempt to present her in modern terms to give her, so to speak, the historical New Look—never wholly comes off.

The Borgia Pope is a different matter. Balchin does, I think, produce an impression of the wise, worldly, wicked old man, who was devoted to his illegitimate children and had a certain fund of simple warm-heartedness beneath his politician's armour, that we can believe in without difficulty.

His Luck Failed

Balchin's study of the odd relationship between the lecherous, impious, yet not entirely irreligious father and his serious-minded, ambitious, completely irreligious son is one of the best features of an extremely fascinating narrative.

Cesare's object was to unite Italy, to make the Papacy a temporal power and revive the glories of the Roman Empire. But his luck failed him; he was imprisoned and exiled, to fall alone in a petty skirmish the victim at last of his own headlong and hot-headed course.

"The Borgia Testament," I am bound to warn you, is not one of those historical novels in which history is viewed through a mist of shimmering, dazzling Technicolor. It is a book to be read with attention. Give it the attention it deserves, and I believe you will be rewarded.

Joy and Josephine, by Monica Dickens.

Quick Looks

(Michael Joseph, 10s. 8d.) For the past 2,000 years writers of comedy have been confusing erudites and getting babies mixed up. Monica Dickens does it again. Her heroine, who might have been related to a baronet, as a result of a fire at an orphanage spends her childhood with a green-grocer. Then she cuts loose from the respectables and splashes into high life. An entertaining light novel cleverly compounded, but without much literary substance.

The Trials of Oscar Wilde. Edited by H. Montgomery Hyde (Hodge, 18s.) A valuable addition to the famous trials series. Not recommended purely reading, but of great interest both to students of Oscar Wilde and to critics of our criminal code.

World's Toughest Soldiers Earn 4½d. A Day

A Briton Looks At "The Legion"
By G.D.K. McCormick

I have just spent a day with some of the world's toughest soldiers—the over-romanticised, but never over-estimated men of France's Foreign Legion.

At the Legion's headquarters in the cobbled-streeted town of Sidi-bel-Abbes in Western Algeria I have seen something of the daily life of the Legionnaires. After 103 years' eventful history the Legion was disbanded in 1940 after the fall of France. It was not until 1944 that it was re-established, and today it has regained its normal complement of 24,000 officers and men.

The camaraderie of the Legion is renowned, but I might add that it is no narrow team spirit, and is extended equally to ex-Servicemen of all nationalities. "You are an ex-Serviceman," I was told. "Then you are our guest." And the hospitality of the Legion is boundless. Nationality is no barrier in this international force.

There is, however, one formality to which a journalist is expected to conform—the tradition of anonymity. The Legion has nothing to hide. It is, in fact, eager to show the outside exactly how it lives and fights. But no publicity for individuals is the unwritten code.

I met a Scotsman with a pure Glaswegian accent—a redbearded giant who has seen many campaigns. To his comrades and to me, however, he was just "Jacques." Maybe his original name was Douglas or Donald, but he wasn't talking. Beyond the admission that he was once a docker at Gourock I got no information.

Few Britons

There are few Britons in the Legion. These few are mostly Scots, Irish or Welsh. Germans have always predominated, but ex-Nazis and storm-troopers are banned from joining. I am told that Germans number about 40 per cent. of the total personnel now that recruiting offices have been opened in the French zones of Germany and Austria.

There are many ex-Spanish Republicans and other political exiles. Russians are to be found fairly often, but Frenchmen who volunteer usually do so as Belgians. The ranks of the Legion do not number as many reformed criminals and desperadoes as before, but on the other hand writers, professors, priests and deserters from other armies are numerous.

I was told by an officer that since the re-establishment of the Legion there has been a purge of the ranks for any undesirable characters. Many Russians have been released and repatriated.

The Legionnaire recruits are sent to the H.Q. at Sidi-bel-Abbes, where each man is given a bonus of £15 before he starts his service. This sounds an excellent way of starting an Army career, but from that day it is some years before the "Bleu" (Legionnaire slang for a recruit) sees much more money. He gets his keep and pay amounts to a bare 4½d. a day, hardly enough to buy him cigarettes and wine at canteen prices.

Once in the Legion, though, there is not very much on which he can spend money. He only sees the big towns occasionally. Long periods are spent out at lonely desert outposts. Almost his first job is several months' toughening up at the Desert outposts of Beni-Ounif, Taroquant or Saada.

Said one Legionnaire to me: "The first six months are the worst. After that everything becomes just a matter of routine, and you lose all sense of the old ways of life. You exist for

five years and by the end of that time you begin to wonder whether you can face a return to civilisation."

Deserters are few, because the penalty if they are caught—and it is indeed a rarity for a Legionnaire to get away with desertion—is forced labour at the Colomb-Bechar penitentiary with long periods of standing in the open sun.

A Legionnaire who serves three terms—15 years—receives a pension wherever he chooses to live. The veterans are permitted to grow long beards and are given a good deal of latitude. Not many men do more than two terms' service. The life is too tough.

The officers are without exception first-class soldiers with the highest reputations, and the majority of them are French. From time to time distinguished aristocrats have joined the Legion, the most famous being Prince Aage of Denmark, who died recently. He followed in the family tradition for it was his great-grandfather, King Louis Philippe of France, who founded the Legion in 1831. Two blood relations of King George VI serve as officers in the Legion today.

Cherished Relic

At Sidi-bel-Abbes the visitor is always proudly shown the Legion's most cherished relic—the wooden arm of a Captain Danjou, who was killed in the battle of Camerone. This relic is preserved in a glass case, but is brought out once a year for the commemorative march-past of the battle.

Legionnaires who are sent out of Africa on service probably enjoy better conditions than their comrades in the "bleu" (Desert). For the latter, the only relaxation is to be found in occasional visits to the cabarets and wine saloons of Biskra, Toulon and Algers. When they go in search of relaxation Legionnaires invariably go together and rarely separate. They find it hard to shake off the communal life.

There is no doubt that this is the most successful international military formation ever raised, and one in which loyalty is unflinching and unflinching in the hardest times. The tougher the job on hand, the better the Legionnaire likes it.

Fluorides And Teeth

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A decade ago the research department of Mead Johnson and Company began studies on fluoride content of the bone meal used for preparing pabulum and other cereals for infants. Animal bones from certain areas were found to be lacking in fluorides and those from certain areas were found to be in excess. Pabulum became standardised in fluoride content to produce maximum tooth enamel formation with the expectancy of minimum tooth decay. Only recent publicity by the American Medical Association Journal has authenticated such work.

Fluorides may only be one of the factors controlling enamel formation and the prevention of tooth decay, but it is an important one. The use of surface water in Hong Kong for drinking, cooking and for irrigation of vegetables obviously makes for inadequate ingestion of fluorides—a tendency to "poor" tooth enamel formation and increased dental decay among babies born and raised in Hong Kong. One means of prevention is through feeding of proper infant pabulum of known fluoride content.

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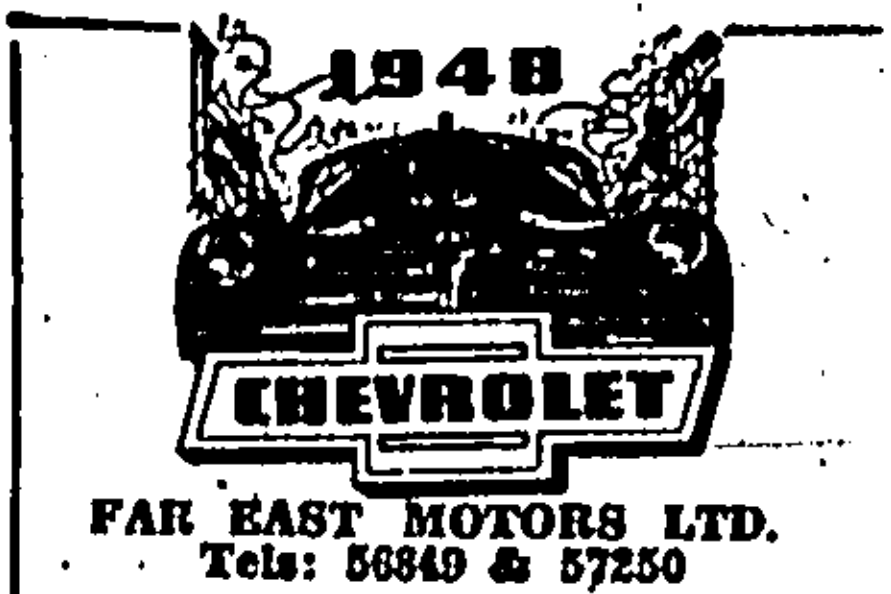
Plan To Defeat Disease Bomb

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From Liberia comes a report that if the Western European powers agree on a common strategic programme, the U.S.A. will support and finance the trying out of new secret weapons of defence under American supervision in Africa. It is even suggested that this is part of the Republican Party's secret foreign policy.

Some weight is given to this by the knowledge that Mr. John Foster Dulles is the chief advocate of the development of Africa by the U.S.A. to make this continent an essential economic and strategic unit in building up a Third Force of Western Europe and Africa.

It is known that he, together with other Republicans, believes that E.R.P. should be conditional on the Western European powers developing a common defensive programme and not the offer of co-operation on new and merely talking about it. In that case revolutionary defensive weapons may well be used as a bargaining counter.



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2.—You are a coupon-less mother with three small children, all with cracks in their shoes and colds in their heads. Before setting out for your annual seaside holiday how would you fairly divide between them one and a half pairs of plimsolls, two sun bonnets (one with a hole in the crown), and three socks?

3.—The boarding-school to which you rashly send your son, aged 13, demands that he shall be provided with six white pocket handkerchiefs. You have no white pocket handkerchiefs, but you have three old coloured dish-cloths bought in 1939. If you cut up the dish-cloths with what will you dry the dishes? Have you any dishes?

4.—Your union has been blessed with three sons (aged seven, eight, and nine) and three daughters (aged 10, 11, and 12). They have all grown out of their clothes. So have you. So has your husband. Are you capable of altering the various discarded garments to make loin-cloths for the whole family? If so, what steps would you take to become nationalised Indians?

Answer on both sides of the newspaper to save newspaper and post your replies to Minister of Social Equality, c/o Poste Restante, Gibraltar. He will pick it up in his yacht on his return from a cruise in the sun-kissed Mediterranean.

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"Mother is Missing Link in Boy's Life"
Animal Chic
"Bather Chases Sheep-worrying Dog in Underclothes"

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Over to You

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. On what planet was helium discovered before it was discovered on Earth?
2. Dry ice has been receiving a lot of publicity lately as a possible new Rain-giver. Exactly what is dry ice?
3. How well do you know your ologies? If you're well up on them, what is chronology?
4. What is the feminine form of the English word marquis? And of the French word, marquis?
5. Mars, Venus, Jupiter and Saturn were known as such long before our time. Who named those planets?
6. This isn't Irish: What is a tidal river?
7. This one has a trick ending. What is the plural of the word opus? (Careful, now!)
8. If a Centigrade thermometer reads 100°, what does a Fahrenheit thermometer right beside it read?

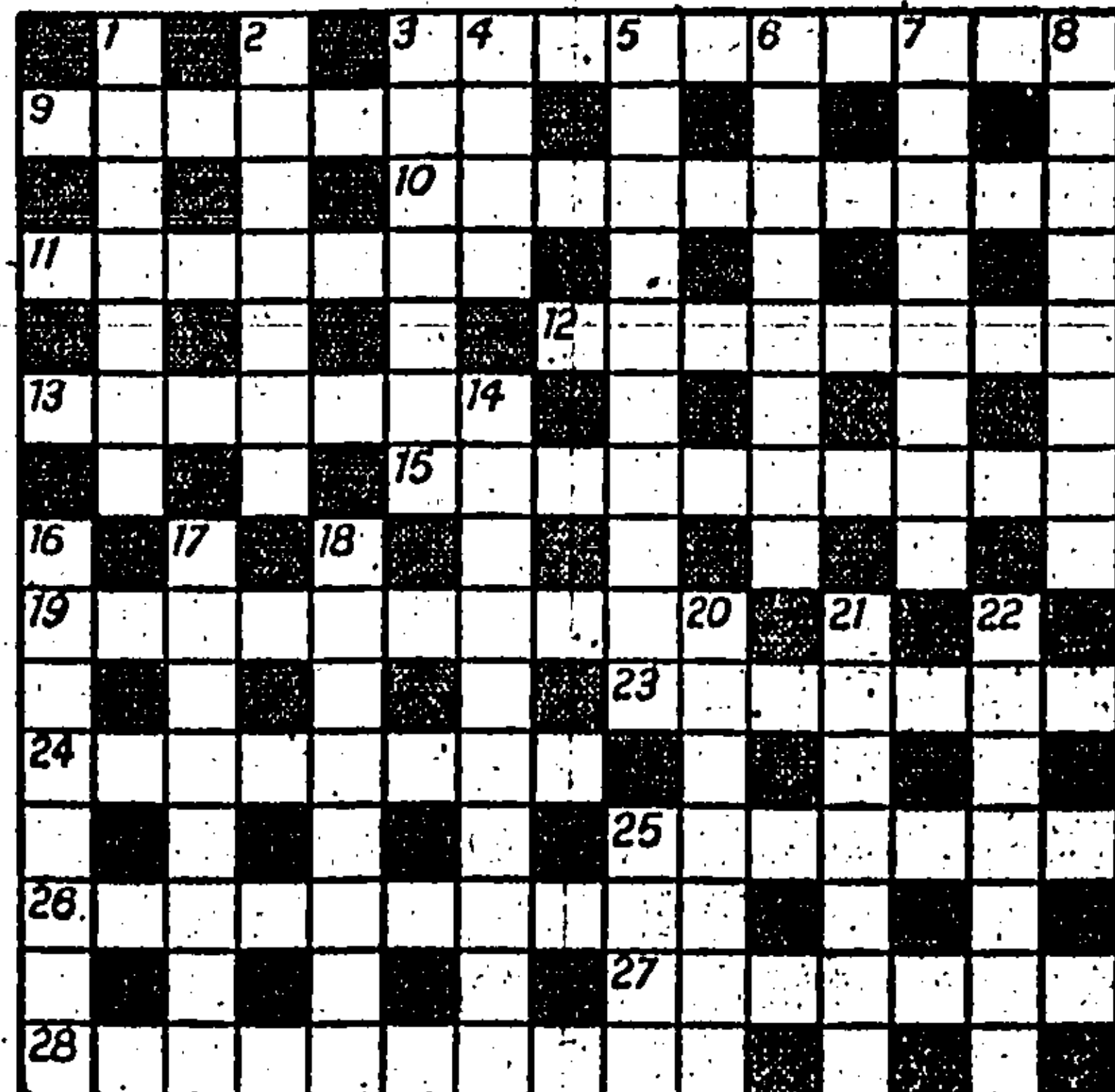
(Answers on Page Two)

NEWS QUIZ

1. This week the French National Assembly, by a confidence vote of 352 to 190, formally approved a Premier of France. Who is the Premier?
2. Freddie Mills of Britain is the new world light heavyweight champion. Whom did he defeat this week to win the title?
3. After the torch bearer had carried in the Olympic torch that had been kindled on Olympia, in Greece, the Olympic oath was taken by an English sportsman on behalf of all the nations competing. Who took the Olympic oath?
4. The typhoon which nearly struck Hong Kong this week caused enough damage as it was, without coming any closer. What name was given to this typhoon for identification?
5. A great deal of publicity has been given to the gift of two British warships to the Chinese government. The two ships arrived in Hong Kong this week for the formal give-away ceremony. Do you know the English names and the new Chinese names of these ships?
6. Olympic quiz: (a) How many nations are competing in the Games? (b) What day this week were they opened? (c) Who opened them?

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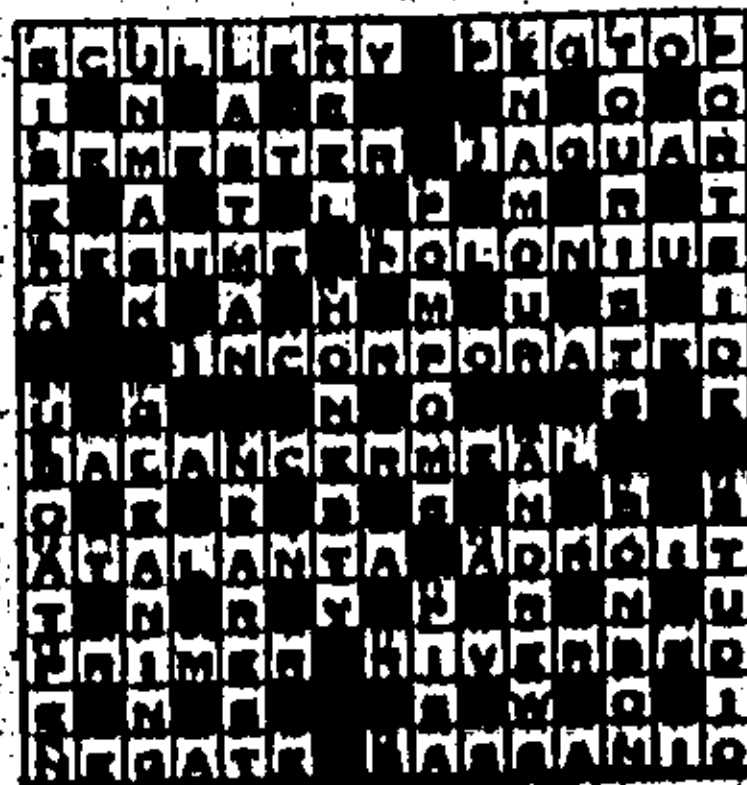


ACROSS

- 3, 9 Suitable tunes for balls? (5, 2, 3, 7)
- 10 They are engaged on a canvas. (10)
- 11 Runners carry them, along. (7)
- 12 Adam and Eve started it; they couldn't do otherwise. (8)
- 13 Associated by 22 with 21 in title. (7)
- 15 They may be obtained in exchange. (10)

- 18 I veto pears for them. (10)
- 23 A boy in error here becomes a Moslem warrior. (7)
- 24 A period at school separates in it. (8)
- 25 They go round without joining up. (7)
- 26 Make a fuel film? (6, 4)
- 27 For example return to dye in Hell. (7)
- 28 Present, maybe, but no future. (3, 2, 5)

SOLUTION TO NO. 66



DOWN

- 1 Such mathematics has its 4. (7)
- 2 Claimed, with some point. (7)
- 3 Watson knew Holmes's. (7)
- 4 See 1. (4)
- 5 I don't curse (anag.). (10)
- 6 I roar too in music. (8)
- 7 Such treatment is, as it were, subjective. (8)
- 8 Lamb, for instance, under another name. (8)
- 14 Double it to get a round. (10)
- 15 Jack's family. (8)
- 17 He has a cast in the airport. (9)
- 18 Feminine clothing? (4, 4)
- 20 Judged quality in needlework. (7)
- 21 Not, it would seem, dark spirits. (7)
- 22 See 12. (7)
- 23 A wise hard. (4)



BRIDGE

When the hand below was played by two expert teams of four a lucky guess decided the issue:

S x x x x
H none
D 8 x x x
C A K J x
S A K J 10
x x
H A x x
D K J x
C 8
W E
S
S Q x
H K Q J 10 8 7
D none
C Q 9 x x 2

The score was game to East and West. In one room West bid One Spade. East Two Diamonds. South Two Hearts and West eventually bid Four Spades. The King of Clubs was led and South played the Two. North then switched to a Diamond ruffed by South. The King of Hearts covered by the Ace was next ruffed. Another ruff in Diamonds and two tricks in Hearts defeated the contract by three tricks.

In the other room, West bid One Spade and North overcalled. Two Clubs, a lucky though very risky guess. East bid Two Diamonds and South jumped to Four Hearts which was passed and made. West's "forcing" pass when he had such good support for Diamonds was fatal.

The moderate player would have made a better guess here and bid Five Diamonds after the forcing pass.

On freakish hands the expert can be beaten by the moderate player when it comes to guessing—but not always, for it was one of our best players who guessed that it was the right moment for his frightful overcall of Two Clubs over West's One Spade! After this lucky overcall South, with solid Hearts and a perfect fit for his partner's Clubs, was taking no risk in jumping to Four Hearts.

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Disaster Victims Mourned

Ludwigshafen, July 30. Hundreds of sobbing relatives and friends mourned the victims of the disastrous I.G. Farben chemical plant explosion in a three-million memorial service this afternoon.

While the mourners wept beneath an American flag in Mannheim, the toll in Europe's biggest post-war tragedy rose to 165 known dead.

Another 150 to 200 persons were reported missing and were possibly dead. Nearly 400 were in hospital, and another 2,100 injured victims had been treated and discharged.

French authorities officially estimated the damage in Wednesday's blast at 50,000,000 Deutsche marks.—Associated Press.

Chinese On Trial In Tokyo

Tokyo, July 31. Three Americans and a Chinese national were convicted today by a U.S. Army court martial of charges of "stealing and attempting to black market" in and out of the Japanese mainland.

The Chinese was Miao Fung-shan, to whom the charges allegedly were delivered. He was sentenced to six months of hard labor and fined 3,000 yen. He will be deported to China after serving his time.

Still to be tried are Miao's wife and two Chinese ship passengers, New Shanghai and New King-shan, brothers of Hong Kong.—Associated Press.

COMMUNIST DANGER IN THE FAR EAST

Nanking, July 31. Gen. Wu Teh-chen, Secretary-General of the Kuomintang, in an interview with the United Press today, called upon the colonial powers to immediately grant self-government to subject races in South-east Asia to check the expansion of Communism.

Talking of the Berlin crisis in the same interview, the influential veteran Kuomintang leader bluntly dubbed Soviet Russia as the aggressor "always on the move and continuously plunging the world into a state of unrest and unsettledness."

He warned that Communist aggression toward Hong Kong is "growing" and that the "British Government must take steps to prevent this."

He described China's position as the "vanguard in the fight against world Communism just as we were in the fight against Fascism in the Second World War."

Gen. Wu said the Chinese Communists' denunciation of world Communism is "beyond a shadow of doubt they are for the people and against the foreign-imperialist agents working for the interests of world Communism." He said the war in China is now a "desperate struggle" against foreign-imperialist and Communist aggression.—United Press.

"RESIGNATION" OF ZOLTAN TILDY

Belgrade, July 30. President Zoltan Tildy, of Hungary, resigned today because of the arrest of his son-in-law, Victor Csorok, on charges said to include high treason and felony.

Dr. Tildy, who took office on Feb. 1, 1946, sent a letter to the Premier, M. Lajos Dinnyes, saying he was ignorant of M. Csorok's activities, but was compelled to resign by the responsibility for a member of his family.

It is rumored here that M. Csorok, shot in the leg last night by security police when trying to break out from house arrest, had sought to persuade Dr. Tildy and his family to leave the country.

He returned to Budapest last week after resigning his post as Hungarian Minister to Cairo. M. Michael Karolyi, the 73-year-old statesman, is reported to have refused to succeed President Tildy after party discussions today, but discussions by party officials with M. Karolyi are continuing.

M. Karolyi was President of the short-lived Hungarian Republic of 1918. Party leaders were also believed to have discussed the nomination of M. Arpad Szakasits, Chairman of the Hungarian Workers' Party, and a former Socialist leader.

Dr. Tildy was elected President for a four-year term in 1940 after heading Hungary's first post-war Government, in which his smallholders party had an overwhelming majority.

Leaders of all parties met early on Friday to discuss the situation. They were still in session afternoon. The Cabinet was meeting for the usual Friday session.

Government officials refused to answer questions they said a statement is being prepared which will answer all questions.

A Parliament meeting on Monday will elect President Tildy's successor.

The official announcement of Tildy's resignation said that President Tildy sent a letter to the Speaker of the House announcing his resignation. He emphasized in his letter that he had no political reasons for taking this step and he completely agreed, as he did in the past, with the democratic principles of the Hungarian Republic.

The only reason for his resignation was that a member of his family turned against the democratic order, after which he could expect that the Hungarian nation could give him the full confidence which he would deserve in this high position.

Part Of Purge?

The same announcement said that the State Parliament had been summoned to meet on Monday.

In Washington, American officials said that Tildy's resignation appears to fit into the Communist "purge pattern" developing throughout Eastern Europe.

The officials said that Communist satellite countries have been gradually eliminating all officials whose loyalty to Moscow or the Communist Party is in question.

The Smallholders were linked in coalition with the Communists, Socialists and National Peasants after the elections last August. They were credited with 15 per cent of the voting strength in the National Assembly.—Reuter and United Press.

China's Own "Operation Vittles"

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Protest On REDS' NETWORK OF TREATIES

Washington, July 31. While assailing American support of Western Europe, Russia and her Eastern European satellites are building a tight network of treaties against "aggression."

The U.S. State Department noted this in publishing in an official document the texts of 22 compacts signed by Moscow or the Soviet bloc states. Others have been completed or are in the making.

The summary was made before Czechoslovakia and Rumania initiated their "treaty of friendship, collaboration and mutual assistance" last week. Russia and Albania are expected to sign up shortly, thereby increasing pressure against Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia in his quarrel with Moscow.

The treaty between the new Communist-run Czech regime and Rumania, like most of the others, provides for mutual military support in case either is "dragged into armed conflict" with any other state directly or indirectly uniting with Germany.

By the terms of Moscow's propaganda campaign that would appear to include the United States, Britain and France because of their backing of a separate Government for Western Germany.

The exchange of pledges among the Soviet bloc states has been accompanied by numerous denunciations of "American imperialism," the State Department also noted.

Somo Pattern

In general, all the post-war treaties followed an identical pattern, stressing the following principles:

1—Close collaboration between the contracting states.

2—Agreement to consult on all important international questions of mutual concern.

3—Agreement to act together against any renewed aggression by Germany or any attack by a third state threatening the independence or territorial integrity of the signers.

4—Agreement not to conclude any alliances or to take part in any coalition directed against the other signers.

5—Strengthening of political ties by appropriate treaties dealing with economic, cultural and other matters.

6—Agreement to carry out the

U TIN TUT AT FO

London, July 31. U Tin Tut, Burmese Foreign Minister, and Sir Maung Gwee, Burmese Ambassador to Britain, were received at the Foreign Office tonight by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

It is understood the Burmese statesman had a general talk with Mr. Bevin on matters of mutual interest and U Tin Tut gave an up-to-date picture of the political situation in Burma.

Later, U Tin Tut was received by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, at No 10 Downing Street, and the two statesmen had a general talk.—Reuter.

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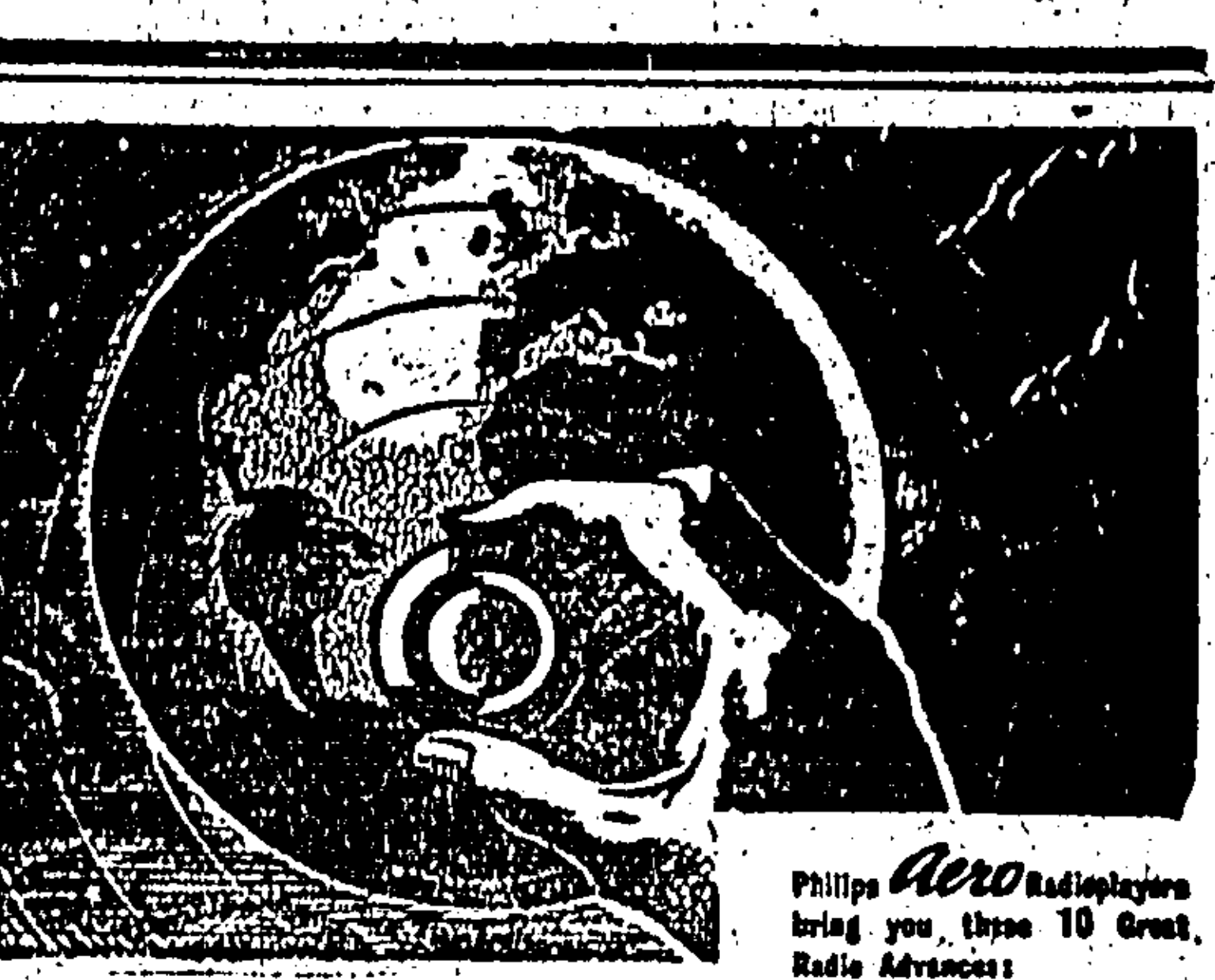
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HANOI SCARE

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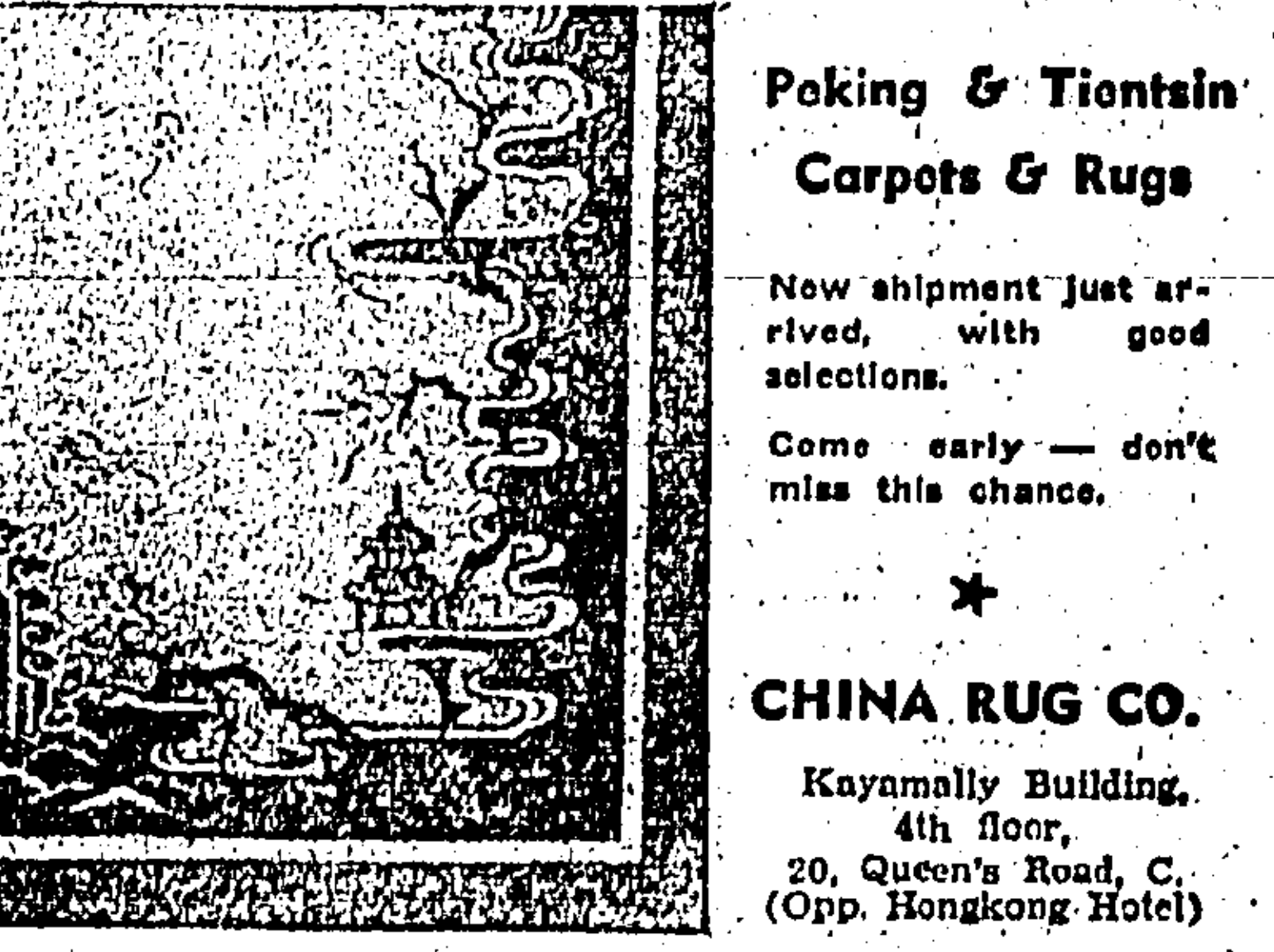
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Lace is being used for everything—for skirts, frocks, blouses, boleros, shawls, hats, gloves. It is being applied on other materials, used to trim model gowns, cut from old petticoats and sewn on to new ones, layered thickly on to the hems of slips and underskirts, and altogether enjoying practically an unprecedented run of popularity.

Black Lace

Black lace, seductive and sophisticated, has been confined to nightgowns until recently. Now, however, a positive rush of black lace evening gowns are flooding the salons of the mighty and the dress departments of the stores.

And an interesting point is that until now flesh-pink was considered the ONLY colour to be worn under black lace. Any other colour was practically taboo. But now any and all colours are used as "follow-through's".

Underskirts

Yellow, surprisingly, is a top favourite under black. Yellow tulle or nylon, crisp and shining, is being used, as an undershirt. Lemon yellow, taffy yellow,

How is your lace stock? Now is the time when all fashion-conscious women must investigate their lace position—because lace is "Now."



Lovely Alexis Smith, Warner Bros. star, models this unusual monkey-jacket effect in lace.

The black net skirt is gathered closely into the dipping waistline. The white lace top is covered by a small lace bolero, with a deep V-collar tied with black ribbon. Minus the bolero, the outfit is perfect for late evenings out.



Another lace-and-net combination, this time in all-white, is again worn by Alexis Smith.

The net skirt is full-length, spraying out from under the draped "apron" of lace, which is darted to fit closely at the waistline. Note the absence of jewellery—lace is ornament enough without studding over it small pieces of glitter. One small rope of pearls is sufficient.

low, honey yellow—any yellow, in fact, that does not verge on the olive.

Ice blue, "ice" green, silver or gold lame, Ross or cherry red (as opposed to flesh tints), all of these are being used as underskirts for lace.

Lace, though, can be had in all colours. One idea used in London recently was to wear a mauve lace evening gown over a silver lame skirt. The skirt is made separately, and can be used as a separate piece—or as a petticoat.

Another notion worth considering is that of the white lace shawl. This can be worn at any time of the day or night, either on the head, the shoulders, or even draped around the waist.

Mit Mittens?

And what, my friends, of lace mittens? These were very popular at one time, but hard usage would not have allowed us to wear them for very long. However, nylon lace and rayon thread have overcome that difficulty, and now it is possible to buy seemingly fragile lace that will withstand the hardest of wear, and the most frequent washings.

Golden syrup, jam, honey, peanut paste, oranges, grapes, tomatoes, cucumbers, celery and lettuce, when chilled in the ice-chest 10 to 15 minutes, taste much nicer. Rinse the lettuce first under tap and shake off surplus moisture. When clean, cut into small pieces and put with a teaspoon of lemon-juice into a small basin of water.

PERFUME MUST BE CHOSEN WITH CARE

Perfume should suit the costume of the wearer and no costume is really complete without it. In the opinion of French couturiers.

Hence the fact that so many of them have become perfume-ers also.

For travel and daytime wear, light fresh fragrances are desirable; but as always, for formal wear, the heavier ones, the perfumers point out.

A touch of perfume on the hair, behind the ears, on the arms, gives a delicate and lasting scent harmonizing with the beauty of the costume.

French perfumers are said to have a higher per cent of the essential oils which give their lasting quality, than do many American perfumes, because in America these oils must be imported, while most of them are available in large quantities in France.

Long Process

Serge De Goring, New York representative of Robert Piguet, Inc., explained the long and careful process by which a new perfume is developed. The idea for the type of fragrance desired is given to the chemist who works out his formula with from 60 to 75 different ingredients.

After a "filler" is developed as the basis for the perfume, the essential oils are combined with the utmost care and the bouquet is added—rose, jasmine, or

geranium oil, perhaps, and finally the colour.

Yellow, green, and light brown are the favourite colours in which perfumes are made and of course these must not leave a stain on fabrics on which they may be used. The dainty square of linen and lace on which a bit of perfume is dropped must not be spoiled by a spot.

Ageing

After the product has been made it must age from six months to a year before it is ready for the market. The bringing out of a new perfume requires from three to five years! This may explain why some perfumes are so expensive.

Almost every flower, too, requires a different process for extracting the perfume. Lilies are laid between sheets of beeswax which absorbs their fragrance. This wax is then boiled and the fragrant oil produced is aged two or three years before it is used.

Some flowers are crushed in mineral oil which takes their fragrance; some are pressed. Roses are boiled and the oil skimmed off the top.

Colognes

The compound in perfume includes from 20 to 40 per cent of essential oils. In toilet waters this is reduced half and therefore toilet water may be used more freely than perfume for its fragrance is usually lighter and much less lasting.



"SECOND EMPIRE" HATS IN PARIS

New York.

The Empress Eugenie hat is coming back with a new name. French milliners gave it an American baptism recently before the New York fashion group.

They've christened it "Second Empire" for this second reincarnation. But that's strictly subjective. That's when the lady wore it.

The new line, like the old one of 1851, tips forward over the eye, sits precariously on the side of the head, and goes in for feature trimmings.

It is, perhaps, a little bigger and a bit less sweet than the 1851 Eugene.

Not "Empire," "Oblique!"

Milliner Claude St. Cyr, whose hats demonstrated the trend most radically and most successfully, keeps the "Empire" tag altogether and calls his hats "Oblique."

The most startling of them is a narrow black felt envelope set edgewise from the top of the crown around to the middle of the back of the head. It's handily draped with great jewelry, which makes it look more substantial. And it's held on ably with springs. The only apparent alternative would be thumb tacks.

Too Far Back

Another St. Cyr diagonal has a little more room for the head and sits over the top instead of around the crown. It's a cuffed bloom in blue-grey felt.

American milliners, knowing on the date of the 1851 Eugene, are started out with hats of

THIS IS THE "FLY AWAY" HAT, worn at a dangerous angle by Jean Kent, of the Arthur Bank Organisation. Designed in the new soft grays, it is plumed for flight in grey, grey, beige and deep brown.

them too far back on their heads. American milliner Lydia, who kept the hat in the late in Paris, said many of them, up to the top of the crown, were for adjustment.

Berets and salons as well as "oblique" were set edgewise and tilted over one eye. One striking example, shown in white with black veiling, it spread a wide black veil. Its tilted edgewise accent the hair.

Rule of thumb on a Paris hat: If it's tilted back, it's a flying saucer. If it's tilted forward, it's a flying saucer.

smaller percentage of the essential oils, is used chiefly for its refreshing quality.

Although it is the custom to think of perfume as used by women rather than men, as a matter of fact, men have used it down through the centuries, especially in periods when luxury has held sway. All the French

kings used perfumes and Napoleon is reputed to have carried 15 bottles of cologne in his trunk when he travelled.

Perfume provides one of the large industries in France, which is closely allied to the fashion industry and which, like fashion, always has something new to offer.

The trend to femininity is kept, however, in a bit of white pique accent, buttons for trimming, unusual pockets, or the out of a collar or sleeve.

House dresses—in the smaller sizes, and gingham and prints going back to school, sometimes have narrow self-ruffles trimming the skirt.

There seems no rule about which direction they take, but the effect is little-girl-like and pretty. Narrow embroidery ruffles trim the upper part of some house dresses.

There are no faint designs that great-grandmother liked in her calicoes. There are stripes in colourful contrast.

Colour Combinations

More colours can now be used in printing fabrics. Some dress houses employ their own artists to marshal colours into distinctive cloth designs. The regular stand-bys are to be had, too—polka dots, and stripes, in reds, greens, and blues.

There are "autumn-hued" plaid gingham, in maroons, dark greens, and browns.

Among rayons guaranteed to laugh at soap and water are dark-background prints resembling silk foulards.

Buttons, in the better washables, are mounted against noticeable shrinking, too.

As for style trends, there is a "balanced silhouette" and no sharp angles. The padded hip and the ballerina skirt are gone. The less voluminous circular skirt is going to be well liked for autumn—however, even though the definitely slim skirt appears to be adding in.

Setting the Fashion

If this sounds like describing high-style dresses that are not "washables," yet it is known the American "wash-dress" industry claims that in many instances it sets the style.

By this it means that when a new style looks on the horizon—the much-talked-of and now accepted "New Look," for instance—the mass-production, wash-dress industry sternly rejects counterfittles.

It refuses all the freakish features that it knows from experience the busy average woman will not accept. This is the reason why "New Look" is still called "modest" and "democratic."

Northmen And Femininity

Most tailors, however, are still in the place of Olden. Girl fashion—in house dresses of imitation or print, and in day-time washable dresses for the campus and the street.

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APPETISING PICNIC LUNCHES

Can anything be worse than opening up the picnic packages and finding hard-boiled eggs that weren't, sandwiches that have slipped apart, or disintegrating cream cakes?

Here are some hints on picnic lunches—what to pack, and how to pack it.

If you are on a walking party, you will want to carry no heavy containers. If weight of the pack is taken off the shoulders, however, fruit or vegetable salads may be taken along in screw-topped jars.

Small jellies and creams are easy to carry when set in individual cardboard containers with lids.

Sandwiches

Sandwiches will keep moist if part of their filling is lettuce, thinly sliced cucumber or tomato. Tomato must be cut quite thin or it makes the bread too moist.

Cut bread thin. To get smooth slices, use a sharp knife and a gentle sawing motion. Wipe the sandwiches first in greaseproof or clean white paper, and then in a napkin or a strong piece of paper.

With some parties, especially where children are concerned,

Picnic time is fun for everybody except the one who has to arrange the meal. Picnic lunches, while they can be carfree and simple, nevertheless take some arranging—and packing.

Adjust seasoning, leave till cold and beat smooth once more.

ORANGE CREAM SPREAD
1 large orange
3 oz. fine sugar
2 oz. margarine
Wash and dry orange, and with a fine grater, grate the dark outer rind onto the sugar. Beat margarine in a basin till light with the sugar and rind, and work in as much of the strained orange juice as can be absorbed without the mixture curdling. Should signs of curdling be seen, a little extra sugar will soon put things right again.

CHOCOLATE SPREAD
2 oz. margarine

2 oz. golden syrup
1/4 tsp. vanilla essence
About 2 oz. dry coco
Beat margarine with the syrup and vanilla essence to a light cream and work in coco till a smooth spreadable consistency is formed.

Prepared Lunches

Here are some prepared foods which find a great welcome with hungry picnickers.

CHEESE SCONES

6 oz. self-raising flour
1/2 level teaspoonful salt
Shake of cayenne pepper
2 oz. margarine
2 oz. finely grated cheese
Milk and water or water to mix
Milk or egg or water to brush over

Sift flour, salt, and pepper into a mixing bowl and rub in the margarine. Mix in three quarters of the cheese, and form into a fairly slack dough with the liquid. Fat out to just over 1/2-inch thick on a well-floured board, and cut into rounds of about 2 1/2 inches in diameter. Place on a baking sheet, brush over with a little milk, beaten egg or water, and sprinkle with the rest of the cheese. Bake in a hot oven for about 10 minutes. When cold, split, and add with a little margarine, and if liked a slice of apple or some washed and dried cress.

SAVOURY PLATE-PIE

Pastry:
8 oz. flour
1/2 level teasp. salt
1 dessertsp. dried egg
2 oz. margarine or dripping
Cold water to mix

Filling:
1/2 lb. sausage meat
4 oz. corned meat, chopped up
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 tomato, skinned and chopped
1/2 oz. dripping
1 large teasp. chopped parsley
A little beaten egg for brushing top

Fry onion lightly in the fat for a few minutes, add the corned beef and fry stirring for a few minutes longer. Mix with the sausage, parsley, and any seasoning necessary.

Sift the flour with the salt and dried egg, and rub in the fat. Form into a firm dough with the water and divide into two.

Roll one piece out on a floured board, line a round shallow tin measuring about eight inches across with it and fill with the sausage mixture. Dampen edge, and roll out and cover with the rest of the pastry. Press edges together, and flute up neatly. Make a small slit in the center of pie, and mark out in six or eight divisions for convenience in cutting. Brush over the top with beaten egg, and bake in a moderately hot oven for about half an hour.

GINGER NUTS

8 oz. plain flour
1/2 level teasp. salt
1 level teasp. ground mixed spice
1 rounded teasp. ground ginger
2 oz. sugar
3 oz. golden syrup
2 oz. margarine or cooking fat
1 small teasp. lemon essence or finely grated rind of lemon
1 level teasp. bicarbonate of soda

1 tablesp. tepid water
Sift the flour, salt, and spices together on a strong piece of paper. Put the sugar, golden syrup and fat in a small saucepan, heat gently without boiling till melted. Pour into a mixing bowl, add the lemon essence or rind and mix in two or three tablespoonfuls of the flour mixture.

Dissolve the bicarbonate of soda in the water, add to the mixture and beat well together. Gradually work in the rest of the dry mixture and knead till smooth. Roll out to an eighth of an inch thick on a floured board and cut into rounds.

Space out on baking sheets, and bake fairly slowly for about 20 minutes.

Thermos Flasks

Now that these are available, you can carry your own hot drinks. Place a piece of greaseproof paper over the cork before putting it into the flask.

Carry milk in a separate bottle, adding it when you pour out. Your flask and the beverage in it will keep in a better condition that way.

Remember that these flasks are fragile things and will break if dropped, so carry them as carefully as you would an uncooked egg.

Keep them fresh and sweet by washing them out thoroughly when you return home, scrubbing and rinsing the cork well, and seeing that both flask and flange are quite dry before you put them away.

HAT TRICKS

WE all have our hat problems, and Mary, Sylvia and Jane are no exceptions. They solve them by looking carefully in the mirror and then—

MARY with her young, round face chooses a sailor hat of mid-blue felt, its width emphasized with pink camellias on the underbrim. The ends of the veiling are slotted through a felt ring.

SYLVIA gives her square face extra length with a Grandma's bonnet brought up to date in natural coloured straw, a high cluster of flowers and a tie veil.

JANE found that this carwheel sailor hat suited her perfectly. It is a rustic straw in lime green trimmed with navy blue. **BERILL**



Mary's face is round



Sylvia's is square



Jane has a long face

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If you have no refrigeration of any kind you can still keep food-stuffs such as butter and milk in good condition by standing their containers in a freezing mixture of 1 lb. salt and 4 lb. saltpetre dissolved in half a gallon of water.

Take several empty face cream or ointment tins when going camping. They do for eggshells, salt-cellsars or mustard pots, and can be thrown away when you are coming home.

Mock cream for stewed fruits and puddings. Mix to a thin paste powdered milk, sugar, vanilla and fresh milk (in quantities as desired) and place in ice-chest or "frigo" a short while before using.

When removing fasteners from an old garment, clip them into spaces. Your supply of fasteners will be greatly increased and easy to find when required.

When bandaging your own shells and the nuts will come out whole.

Brazil nuts may be removed from their shells without breaking the nut if they are placed in the oven till warm. Then crack the shells and the nuts will come out whole.

Bandage, folding over ends in alternate directions; the dressing is more likely to stay secure.

It lets them off a fair test of their own attractiveness.

I have always been unable to ride a bicycle, and I'm told this is due to lack of balance and that it is useless my going on trying to ride.

Must I accept that? Or can I take it that determination and patience will finally win the day?—J. R.

You have to accept that you must have the faculty of balance before you can ride. Just blind determination—no riding at all!—to stay up-right followed by failure—would be absurd.

But determination, to achieve balance, first—yes—that's what you want. First get the defect diagnosed. What is causing it? In most cases it is remedied by co-ordination exercises. You would need to have a course under a fully qualified remedial teacher.

An old school friend of mine whom I would like to see as happily married as I am myself looks like being left on the shelf.

She is very attractive, but seems always to get entangled with married men. She says it's just her luck, that they are the only ones she meets.

I know this is not true. What makes her act this way? She isn't envious or spiteful or grabbing. I can't make her out.

I expect she is secretly afraid of her own chances of marriage. She isn't sure of herself, so she excuses by way of disingenuous and harmless to account for her being left out.

You see the same motive at work in girls who like men twice their age. They are subconsciously avoiding competition with girls of their own age for the eligible men of their own age and type.

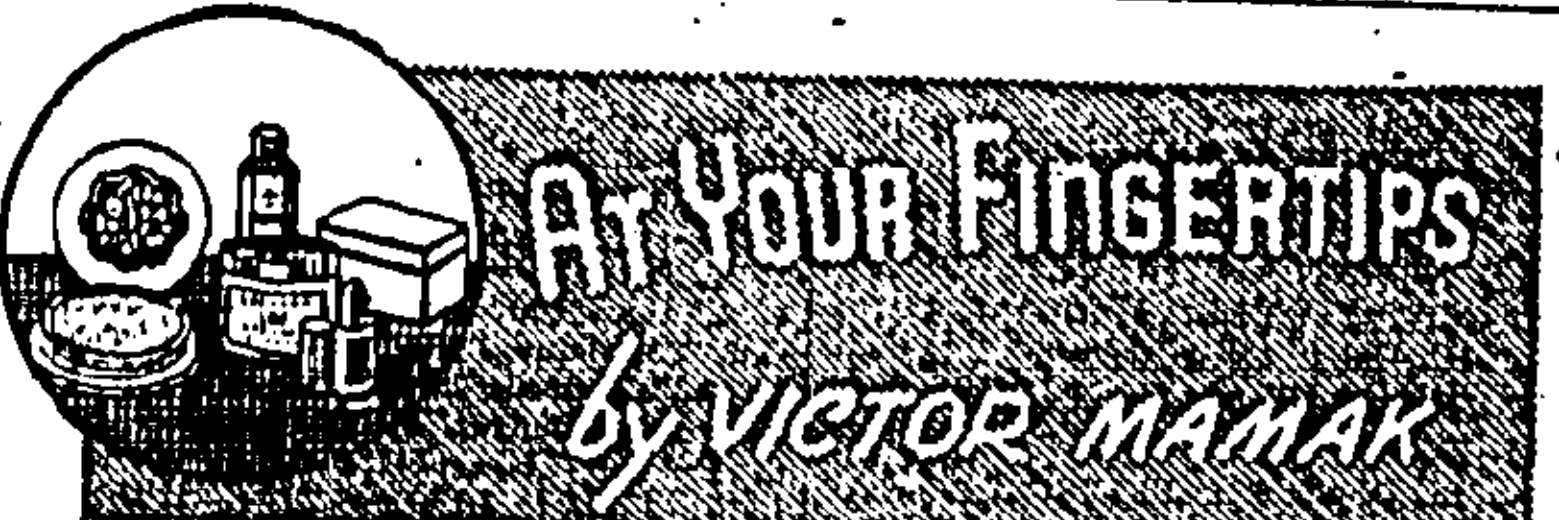
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Every time I look in the mirror I get so mad at my eyebrows that I feel like removing them completely with a good old-fashioned razor and make use of the eyebrow pencil, which I dare not use on my eyebrows in their present state. They are not bushy, nor have they a roth-eaten look. But instead of lying smoothly as they should, they stick out in tufts. What can I do about this?

DESPERATE.
You do sound desperate, but you needn't be. Brush your eyebrows with an eyebrow brush moistened with bandoline. Then comb them with a fine eyebrow comb until the bandoline dries, which won't be long. When the bandoline dries, the eyebrows will stay put as you want them.

Should there be any stray hair which defies bandoline, pluck it out without any compunction.

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I have white hair of yellowish tint, and every time I shampoo my hair this yellowish colour seems to get more pronounced. I would like my hair to look snowy-white. Is there anything I can do to get rid of this yellowish tint?—GRANDMA.

I would suggest that after shampooing your hair, rinse with fresh water to which fresh lemon juice is added. Then take some more fresh water and add a few drops of ordinary bluing, and rinse your hair with that.

This process generally helps to whiten even the most stubborn cases of hair with a yellowish-tint.

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In one issue of the Sunday Herald, you recommended hot olive oil treatment to "WORRIED" for brittle nails. I have the same trouble and this same treatment was recommended to me by a friend who spoke very highly of the result. Unfortunately this treatment is not effective in my case although I have tried it for over two months now. Can you suggest any other treatment?—MORE WORRIED.

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Arrivals	Sailings
"TJIBADAK" from Amoy 2nd Aug.	to Javaports and Macassar 4th August.
"TJITJALENGKA" from Macassar & Javaports 2nd August.	to Javaports & Macassar 18th August.
"TJISADANE" from Macassar & Javaports 17th August.	to Javaports & Macassar 1st September.

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"RUYS" from South Africa 1st August.	to Shanghai & Japan 4th Aug. 5 p.m. to South Africa & South America via Manila, Straits & Batavia 23rd August.
"STRAAT MALAKKA" from South Africa 7th Sept.	to South Africa & South America via Manila, Straits & Batavia 8th Oct.
"BOISSEvain" from South America & South Africa 21st September.	to South Africa & South America via Manila, Straits & Batavia 10th November.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L to Dar-Es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar accepted on all sailings.

SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"VAN HEUTSZ" from B. Deli & Straits 4th August.	to Swatow & Amoy 5th August.
"HEINRICH JESSEN" from B. Deli & Straits 10th August.	to Swatow & Amoy 11th August to Straits & B. Deli 18th August.

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

Arrivals	Sailings
"MEERKERK" from Europe 8th August.	to Shanghai & Japan 12th August.
"ANNENKERK" from Europe 23rd August.	to Europe via Straits 23rd September.
"LANGLESCOT" from Europe 2nd September.	to Europe via Manila & Straits 11th October.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L accepted to Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

Agents: SILVER LINE LTD.

Arrivals	Sailings
"SILVERWALNUT" from U.S. Pacific coast Early Sept.	to Atlantic Ports and U.S. Mid. Sept.

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TO AND FROM PACIFIC & ATLANTIC COASTS

LOADING DATES IN U.S.A.

Leads	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast) via) Los Angeles)	Early Aug. Early Sept.	m.v. "MINORIO" m.v. "HALLAND"

ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast) via) Los Angeles)	19th August 3rd Sept.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA" m.v. "TONGHAI"

SAILINGS

For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast) via) Los Angeles)	24th August 8th Sept.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA" m.v. "TONGHAI"

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London Stock Exchange

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SECURITIES: British Govt. 2 1/2% 100 1/2
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2%, 1941 100 1/2
Funding Loan, 4%, 1940-41, 113 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1952 108
War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1952 108
Victory Bonds, 4% 114

RAILWAY SHARES: British Transport, 3 1/2% 97-9/16

INDUSTRIALS: British American Tobacco (inf. & Ireland) 5-11/32
Dunlop Rubber Co., inf. 26 1/2
Imperial Chemical Indus., inf. 42 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Co. (inf. & Ireland) 8-7/32

TEA SHARES: Assam Consolidated Tea 22 1/2
Assam Frontier Tea 16 1/2
Assam Tea Company 21 1/2
Dowry Tea Company 36 1/2
Emp. of India & Ceylon Tea Co. 19 1/2
Imperial Tea Company 31 1/2

MINE SHARES: Hurma Corp. 6 1/2
Krom Mines 3 1/2
Nouveau Mines 12 1/2
Rand Mines 6 1/2
Rhine Mines 6 1/2
Rob. Nickel 4-1/16
Tiger Tin Co. 1 1/4
Union Corporation 22 1/2

OIL SHARES: Royal Dutch Co. 23 1/2
Shell Transport & Trading Co. 2 1/2

SHIPPING: P. & O. Steam Nav. Co., ord. 54 1/2

GILDED: Funding Loan, 3 1/2% 102 1/2
National War Bonds, 4 1/2% 101-5/32
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1946/51 102 1/2

Savings Bonds: 1945/55 101 1/2
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"FOYANG" Yokohama 4 p.m. 2nd Aug.
"FOOCHOW" Shanghai 4 p.m. 3rd Aug.
"TSINAN" Swatow 4 p.m. 5th Aug.
"HANYANG" Amoy, Foochow & Tientsin 10 a.m. 7th Aug.
"NEWCHWANG" Singapore & 5 p.m. 7th Aug.
"SHENGKING" Shanghai 5 p.m. 7th Aug.
"PAKHOI" Yokohama & Kobe 4 p.m. 8th Aug.
"SINKIANG" Singapore, Samarang & Batavia 10 a.m. 19th Aug.
"FOOCHOW" Spore, Batavia, Sourabaya & Macassar 5 p.m. 21st Aug.
* Sails from Custodian Wharf

ARRIVALS FROM

"HANYANG" Tientsin, Shanghai & Foochow 3 p.m. 3rd Aug.
"YOHOW" Singapore & Amoy 3 p.m. 3rd Aug.
"PAKHOI" Swatow noon 4th Aug.
"SHENGKING" Shanghai 7 a.m. 6th Aug.

RIVER SERVICE

"FATSHAN" Arrives from Canton 5 p.m. 2nd Aug.
Sails for Canton 8 a.m. 4th Aug.
Arrives from Macao 8.30 p.m. 1st Aug.
Sails for Macao 9 a.m. 2nd Aug.

Agents: BLUE FUNNEL LINE

U.K. SERVICE

Arrivals from

"MEMNON" U.K. via Straits 8th Aug.
"AENEAS" 18th Aug.
"ALCINOUS" 19th Aug.

Sailings to

"RHEXENOR" Casablanca, Liverpool & Glasgow via Port Said. 10th Aug.
Arrives from Glasgow 8.30 p.m. 1st Aug.
"AENEAS" Liverpool & Glasgow via Port Said. 14th Sept.

NEW YORK SERVICE

Arrivals from

"MENESTHEUS" U.K. via U.S.A. Manila and Shanghai late Aug.

Sailing to

"MENESTHEUS" New York and Montreal via Suez 1st week Sept.

Agents: Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd.

Arrivals from

"SHANSI" Sydney, Brisbane & Manila 3 p.m. 1st Aug.
"CHANGTE" Sydney & Brisbane 11th August

Sailings to

"SHANSI" Sydney & Melbourne 4th week Aug.

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To collect angling information and provide facilities to go out for bigger, better and more fish, the Hong Kong Angling Society is being formed.

It will be a practical and active society and not a social one. It will be interested only in sport and nature.

The society will be composed of various kinds of fishermen and for the present its main activity will be confined to exchange of personal knowledge.

At the first meeting on April 1 this year, it was decided to form the society. The meeting consisted almost entirely of reservoir licensees.

Copies of a memorandum drawn up in Stanley Camp were circulated at the meeting and views expressed by those attending were considered.

A committee, comprising Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. H. Geary, Mr. J. D. W. Phillips, Mr. N. K. Littlejohn, Mr. Colin Cairns, and Mr. Siple, were appointed.

The committee have all the powers vested in the board of directors of a company.

Fishing in Reservoirs
Before the war a few anglers had good fishing in reservoirs. At the beginning of the 1947 season there were plenty of bass in the Shingmun Reservoir and in other waters too. At the end of the season there were none to be seen. This was the first time it had happened.

One of the Society's jobs will be to look after the fishing in the colony's reservoirs, and it is hoped that when the Society is formed as a sufficiently representative and responsible body it will be allowed to control the licensing reservoir fishing.

Another aim of the Society is to enlarge pond and stream fishing facilities to Hong Kong fishermen. At present very few have special knowledge or facilities.

A meeting of the Society will be held at the South China Morning Post Board Room, Wyndham Street, on Monday, August 9, at 5.15 p.m.

ILLEGAL BOARDING

Twenty-two-year-old Ng Fook was fined \$100 or one month's hard labour by Mr. D. G. Cairns at the Marine Court yesterday for boarding the Sanchi without permission on Friday.

Ng Fook pleaded that he went on board to take some rolls of paper from a friend who was en route from Singapore to Amoy. He had just arrived here and did not know the regulations.

Records Fall

As far as athletics were concerned, there was no outstanding performance by Far Eastern

Olympic Stadium, July 30.
At the end of the first day of the Olympic Games France led in the unofficial standings with 21 points, followed by Czechoslovakia (10) and Australia (10).

Then came the United States (7), Sweden (7), Norway (7), Italy (5), Poland (3), Austria (2), Belgium (1), Canada (1) and the Netherlands (1).

The standings were based on the outcome of the high jump and the 10,000-metre run for men and the discus throw for women.

There is no official team championship, but the country which wins the greatest number of points in all events, for which the Gold Medal is awarded, generally is recognised as unofficial champion.

Points are scored on the basis of 10 for first place, five for second, four for third, three for fourth, two for fifth and one for sixth.

The Far Eastern countries and France occupied the spotlight today.

Korea, whose athletes passed through Hong Kong only a short time ago, and the Philippines caused sensations when they defeated Belgium (29 to 27) and Iraq (102 to 30) respectively in the basketball tournament, and France's Michelino Ostermeyer won her first Olympic Games' title by throwing the discus 41.90 metres.

The victory of Korea was especially noteworthy as Belgium was ranked among the top teams in the basketball field.

China Lose

The diminutive Chinese basketball team fought grandly against Chile in Group B at Harringway arena but were beaten by 44 to 39.

Because of the similarity in the teams' colours, Chile played in the light blue Uruguayan jerseys. Uruguay had earlier overwhelmed Great Britain.

The opening half was played at a terrific speed, and the agile Chinese were ably served by Chuo Bun-hua, attacking consistently but showing unsteadiness near the basket.

Nevertheless, the Chinese cagers were only one point down and pressing. Chile, however, grabbed a slim lead which they managed to maintain, despite commendable Chinese retaliation.

In the women's 200 metres breast-stroke swimming heats, the Olympic record held by the Japanese girl, Maychata, of 3 minutes 1.9 seconds was beaten by Pictie Vanille of the Netherlands, who clocked a time of 2 minutes 57.4 seconds and by Eva Szekely of Hungary, who registered a time of 3 minutes 1.2 seconds.

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Hong Kong War Memorial Fund subscriptions received to date follow:—
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Sequel To Corporal's Vigilance

Li Cheuk, a 19-year-old student living at 114 Canton Road, ground floor, was fined \$75 by Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday as the result of the vigilance of Police Corporal 1478.

Sub-inspector J. S. Howarth said that defendant was seen by the corporal on Friday morning driving a motorcar along Sai Kung Road. The car was carrying two "L" plates, and accused was being coached by Li Tai, the owner.

The corporal decided to stop the vehicle and ask the two men for their licences. Li Tai produced his driver's licence, but defendant was not in possession of even a learner's licence.

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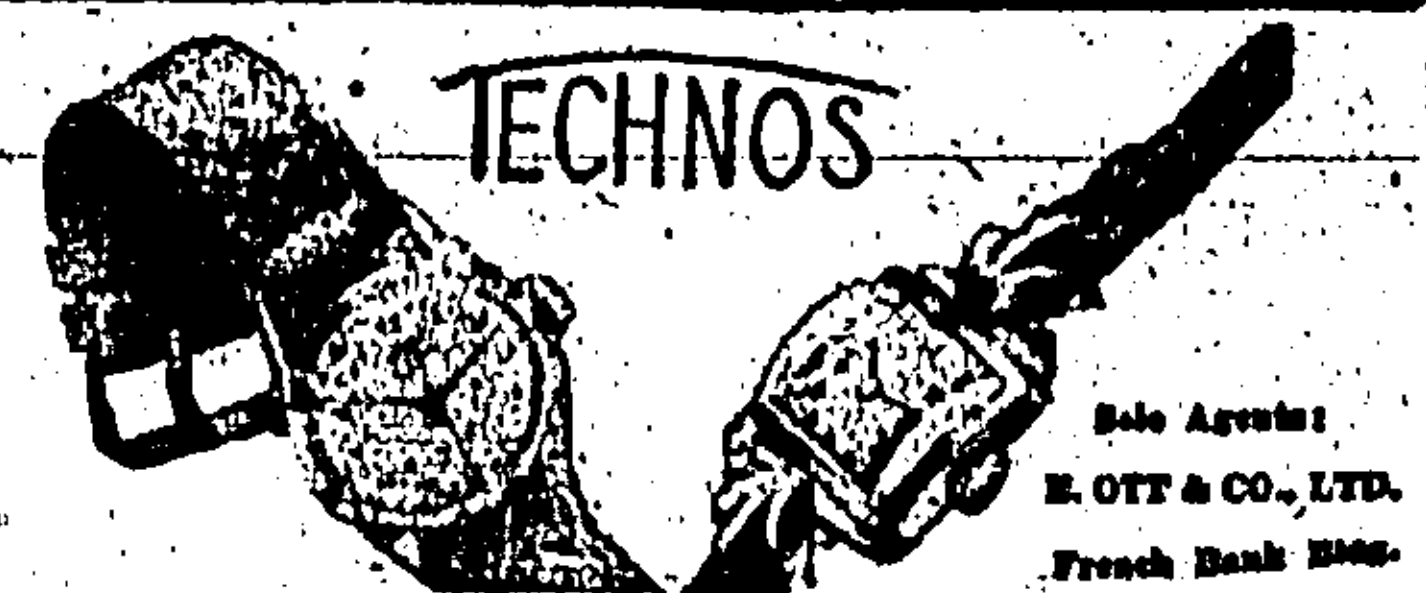
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COUNTY CRICKET

Lowly Somerset Had A Surprise For Hampshire

London, July 30.

The only two county championship matches in the current series did not affect the championship table, although Hampshire in fifth place were surprised by lowly Somerset, who won easier than the 212 runs margin indicates as they declared their second innings with only half their wickets down.

Mighty hitting by Glimblett and another schoolmaster, Northamptonshire's Webster, showed boundaries and helped to swell the Somerset total while H. F. Watts, the bespectacled Downside schoolmaster, showed that he is a batting asset to the county during holidays.

Hampshire were really beaten by spin bowling for they are never happy against this type and Hazell came out of the match with nine wickets for 70 runs.

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All licensing will take place at Central Police Station, Hollywood Road, Ground Floor, with entrance from the main door in Hollywood Road.

Licence will be renewed in "blocks" of 1,000 each day commencing with No. 1-1,000 on August 9 and continuing until September 2, 1948 when licences with Nos. 17001-17000 will be issued.

Drivers are requested, in their own interests, to attend on the day allotted. They must attend personally to undergo a vision test and must produce one passport-size photograph.

A driver must produce his existing licence and the fee for renewal of a driving licence is HK \$5.

PARTY FOR GIFT WARSHIPS' OFFICERS

More than 100 representative bodies of the Chinese community in Hong Kong gave a tea party yesterday afternoon, in honour of the Captains and officers of the two warships recently presented to China by Great Britain.

Held in the Hong Kong Hotel "Gripes", the reception was attended by about a thousand members of the various bodies. The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs Mr. T. W. Kwok, and Mrs. Kwok were also present, accompanied by Admiral and Mrs. Yang. The Chair was taken by the Honourable T. N. Chan.

The two "gift" warships, were formerly HMS Arco and Mendip, arrived in the Colony on Thursday. Re-named the Chungking and Ling Fu, they are now commanded by Captain Tang Chow-hong and Captain Cheng Tien-chen. The ships are expected to remain here until the beginning of the week before proceeding north for further orders.

Communists Save On Postage

Shanghai, July 31. The Chinese Communists have learned a new dodge to save their foreign exchange reserves, it is disclosed today.

"Instead of mailing mimeographed propaganda material in airmail envelopes, as first class mail matter from Hong Kong, Red agents there are wrapping the daily transcription of the New China News Agency newsheets in old newspapers and mailing them as newspapers."

First class mail from Hong Kong costs 50 cents a cover while each bundle of "newspapers" is only two cents—saving of 98 cents HK of CN\$700,000. The latest issue of the New China News Agency report reached the United Press office in Shanghai wrapped in a New York Daily Worker sheet, dated February 10, 1948.—United Press.

Olympic Warm-Up



MEXICAN competitors at the Olympics brought out their gaudy national shawls the other day at Richmond Olympic Village, Sussex, when July temperatures were more like those of December. Since the Games opened on Thursday, however, thousands of spectators and competitors have sweltered in temperatures hovering around 90 degrees Fahrenheit.—A.P. Photo.

Derbyshire Beaten

Derby, July 30. The Australian Tourists beat Derbyshire by an innings and 27 runs here today. Scores: Australia 468, Derbyshire 240 and 189.—Reuter.

UNION JACK TABLE TENNIS

The concluding matches in the Union Jack Club Table Tennis League are now being played and the champions appear to be either H.K. Signals or the Buffs each with one match to play.

The Buffs with a 5-0 win over the 37th Signals have reduced the Signals' lead to four points.

A very sporting fight was put up by V.A.D.s against Hong Kong Signals during the week and Miss McManus played very well to win her game.

The following is the up-to-date League table:—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
H.K. Signals	9	8	7	34
Buffs	9	5	11	21
U.S.G. 1st	9	3	15	12
U.S.G. 2nd	9	2	16	8
Y.M.C.A.	7	2	15	25
C.P.O.s	10	2	20	21
V.N. Hospital	8	2	20	20
407 Bde. R.N.I.	6	1	15	12
V.A.D.s R.N.I.	9	7	7	35
H.M.S. Kowloon	8	6	31	6

Cost Index Increased

Shanghai, July 31. The Government today increased the cost of living index—basis on which wages are computed—nearly 168 per cent higher than in June.

But the black market rate on United States currency kept pace. One American dollar brought CN\$8,500,000—an increase of 30 per cent within a few hours.

Meanwhile, President Chiang Kai-shek continued conferring with his top-ranking city economic leaders. He was scheduled to return to Nanking either this evening or tomorrow morning.—Associated Press.

CHINA MAKING PLANES UNDERGROUND

Nanking, July 31. China is one of the few countries of the world actually producing aircraft in underground factories.

The Chinese Air Force Bureau of Aircraft Industry is manufacturing American (Boeing) training planes under license granted during World War II. Production is carried out in an underground plant not because of fear of atom bomb attacks but because the factory was hidden underground. It was built during the war to house the dangers of Japanese air raids.—Associated Press.

Crack US Sprinters Appear Assured Of Olympic Classic

London, July 31.

Harrison Dillard of Baldwin Wallace, Mel Patton of Southern California and Barney Ewell of Lancaster, Pennsylvania streaked into the finals of the Olympic 100-metre dash today promising the United States a victory.

Bruce Harlan of Ohio State gave the United States its first gold medal when he won the men's springboard diving championship. Neck-and-neck racing by America's crack sprinters brought an estimated 82,000 spectators to their feet in wild cheering.

The two coloured streaks, Harrison Dillard and Barney Ewell, got off smartly and for about half the journey raced side by side towards the finish in one of the semi-finals.

Dillard—hurdler turned sprinter—at last forged ahead slightly and to a crescendo of enthusiasm broke the tape only inches ahead of his competitor. Britain's hope, Alistair McCrquodale, took third place to qualify for the final. He was about a metre behind the two Negroes, whose times were returned identically at 10.5 seconds.

The American, Mel Patton, comfortably beat his coloured rivals, Lloyd Labache, Panamanian, and McDonald Bailey, Britain, in the second semi-final.

Patton's time was 10.4 seconds, Labache's 10.5, and Bailey's 10.6 seconds.

Finals Later

The finals in the 100 metre dash will be run off later this afternoon.

In determining the contestants for the finals of the long jump event, the American Negro jumper, Bill Steele, the only man in the world since the war to exceed eight metres—today jumped 7.78 metres for the best distance.

B. Singh, India, qualified for the finals, clearing 6.995 metres in his second attempt.

The following 12 competitors will vie for honours in the long jump final:—

A. Adamsky, Poland; A. E. Adedoyin, Great Britain; H. Askew, Great Britain; T. Bruce, Australia; G. Famitio, France; H. P. Douglas, U.S.A.; E. A. Kistenmacher, Argentina; B. Singh, India; Bill Steele, U.S.A.; H. Whitte, Great Britain; C. Wright, U.S.A. Felix Wurth, Austria.

Only four competitors, Bruce, Douglas, Steele and Wright, cleared the qualifying distance of 7.20 metres. To make up the 12 finalists, the next eight were included.

Two Far Eastern strong men, S. Somnath, of India, and Kang Whan, of Korea, failed to qualify today in the opening round of the Olympic hammer.

Thousands watched the gallant Indian and Korean throwers, who were among representatives of 18 nations.

Best throw of the 12 who qualified for the final was by the Hungarian, Imre Nemeti—regarded as the probable winner. He threw 52.02 metres.

Gruelling Walk

Kang Whan in threw only about 39 metres. Meanwhile, 21 Olympic walkers from nine nations were off today on the gruelling 50-kilometre Olympic walk.

The hope of India among Olympic freestyle wrestlers is 20-year-old flyweight, Khashba Jadhav, who today won a brilliant victory over the United States champion, R. S. Cornman.

"If Jadhav can beat Jernigan," the American coach said, "then I will take my hat off to the boy."

Although the Indian defeated the American only on points, the opinion of the judges was that Jernigan's shoulders appeared to touch the mat twice in the last three minutes.

Jadhav, a slim youngster with a flashing smile, studies at the Bombay University. Results of other events are as follows:—

Water Polo

Spain beat Switzerland by five goals to one.

Basketball

France beat Iran 62 to 30. Brazil beat Uruguay 30 to 31. Argentina beat Egypt 57 to 33.

Pole Vault

Qualifiers (Group One):—H. Goulet (Sweden), Jose Barbosa (Portugal), Edna Kana (Norway), Erkki Kallio (Finland), A. Lundberg (Sweden).

Hammer Throw

Qualifiers (Group Two):—Imre Nemeti (Hungary), 177 ft. 2-1/2 in.; J. M. Houtzager (Holland), 165 ft. 8 in.; E. Soderqvist (Sweden), 177 ft. 10-1/2 in.; T. Sade (Finland), 167 ft. 11 in.; L. Tammelin (Finland), 158 ft. 8 in.

Far Eastern Performance

London, July 31. Far Eastern performances in the Olympic Games today were: Lee of Korea fifth in a heat of the 800 metres; Maung Sein of Burma and Bernabe Lovina of the Philippines both fourth in their heats of the 100 metres; Liang Chian of China fourth in his heat of the 400 metres low hurdles.—Agence France Press.

Yvon Petra Will Play Fred Perry

Scarborough, July 30. Yvon Petra of France, giant Wimbledon champion of 1946, overwhelmed Mohammed Ali of Egypt, leading tennis professional, 6-2, 6-0 to reach the final of the men's singles in the Slazenger £1,000 tournament today.

All had a good sense of positional play and occasionally scored with delicate drop shots, but he was outclassed by the storming tennis of the Frenchman.

Fred Perry, three times Wimbledon champion, qualified to meet Petra in the final by eliminating J. de Mis, Holland, 6-0, 6-4, 6-3.

Perry always had a lot in hand and was never really extended by the young Dutchman. In the third round of the men's doubles, the Egyptian pair, Mohamed Ali and S. Khaled eliminated the British partnership of B. R. Lawrence and S. Evans, 6-7, 6-3, 7-5 and Petr and Karl Schroeder of Sweden trounced de Mis and R. Simon of Belgium 6-1, 6-0, 6-0.—Associated Press.

Japs Want To Play In Davis Cup

New York, July 30. Japan's anxiety to re-enter the Davis Cup lawn tennis tournament has been expressed in a letter from a former Japanese Davis Cup player, Mr. Fukuda, to Mr. Lawrence Baker, President of the United States Lawn Tennis Association.

In his letter, Mr. Fukuda said Japanese players are anxiously awaiting the signing of the Japanese peace treaty as they earnestly hope to join in the Davis Cup contest again.

He says there are no good youngsters yet to replace the top-notch players in Japan, all of whom are over 30 years of age. In expressing admiration for the American occupation, he added that since the war, "we are perceiving the importance of sports to our national life and are gradually acknowledging the doctrine of sports. Therefore, I have the confidence to say that sports under democratic society will be more prosperous in the near future."—Reuter.

Hungarian Ire Aroused

Budapest, July 31. The Hungarian Ministry of Education has cabled the Hungarian Olympic authorities in London to tell the organisers that Hungary will withdraw from the Games unless further anti-sporting manifestations, such as the annulment of the Hungarian-Egyptian water polo match.

After Thursday's opening water polo match at Wembley, which Hungary won by 4 to 2, the Egyptians protested against decisions given by the referee.

A jury upheld their protest and a replay was ordered with new officials. The Egyptians, however, withdrew from the project and the original results were therefore cancelled.—Reuter.

EASTER ISLAND AIRPORT PROPOSAL

London, July 31. Chile has proposed that Britain, Australia and New Zealand should build an airport on Easter Island, in the south Pacific, to join with Chile in operating an airline between San Diego and Sydney. Radio Australia reported today.

A survey of potential traffic is being made to see if it would make the 4,800,000 sq. miles worth while.—Reuter.

TROUBLE WITH THE FLAME

London, July 31. When is a flame not a flame? It is apparently not easy to tell, for just before midnight the Olympic flame was reported to have gone out, but this morning Mr. Ivor Evans, in charge of the gas supply to the torch, said "the light has not been extinguished."

Mr. Stanley Brewer, in charge of the Press Information Bureau, was told by telephone that the flame, which had already flared four times since it reached Britain, had failed again.

With a box of matches he climbed the lofty platform where the flame is supposed to burn without ceasing until anchored at the end of the Games.

There was no flame, only a hissing noise. He told Reuter, "I struck several matches and attempted to rekindle the flame, but nothing happened. I could hear the gas escaping, but I could not hear where it was escaping from. After several attempts I climbed down again."

"The stadium was in pitch darkness—like a mausoleum. There was no one else about."

Mr. Brewer contacted Lord Bury, Chairman of the Organising Committee, who issued a 3.30 a.m. statement, saying that the flame will burn brightly later this morning.

When a Reuter reporter arrived dawn was breaking brightly. Mr. Evans said "each night after the flame was extinguished, a pilot light kept burning at the side. As the night goes on, it is quite probable that the flame will sink very low into the pipe and it would be unseen."

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